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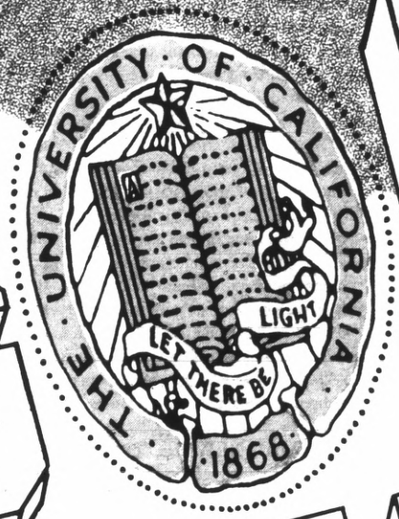


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# NEWS *on the* MARCH

**HEADLINE OF THE WEEK:** "GIVE IN TO DRUGS—Alameda County Urged to Surrender" *San Jose Mercury*, January 26, 1985.

**FREE NELSON MANDELA:** In the second interview granted since his imprisonment 22 years ago, South African nationalist leader Nelson Mandela said that his party, the banned African National Congress (ANC), will not cease its resistance against white rule until the South African government decides to "legalize us, treat us like a political party and negotiate with us." Because South African officials perceive the ANC as a threat to their rule, discussions between the two groups at this point are unlikely.

According to news reports about the interview, Mandela expressed sorrow for those injured as a result of his party's political protests, yet remained resolute in his commitment to resisting apartheid, the official government policy of racial segregation. Mandela is serving a life sentence for charges that he plotted sabotage and revolution.

Despite his long confinement, initially on Robben Island off Capetown and presently in a prison known as Pollsmoor, coupled with what he believes is a discomforting lack of privacy, the 67-year-old leader has turned down South African offers of release. Mandela worries that "freedom" from prison for a person labeled "terrorist" by the government would be highly conditional and carry severe personal restrictions, if not exile. "If I was released," he said, "I'd never obey any restriction."

The government offered to release Mandela on the grounds that he live in a bantustan, a reservation created by the government on dry, arid land outside of any urban area. Reports of the interview quoted Mandela as saying, "I have served 22 years in prison for fighting against the policy of bantustans. There is no way that I could then go and live in a bantustan." He also said he would reject any offer of being exiled. "My place is in South Africa," he was quoted as saying.

Despite widespread pressure on the South African government for unconditional release of Mandela and other ANC leaders, their future remains uncertain.

**AGAINST THE NUCLEAR LAW:** US personnel may be actively aiding South Africa in its quest to develop nuclear weapons. South Africa's state-owned power company announced this week that it had hired United States citizens to help run its nuclear reactors. However, US regulations prohibit unauthorized citizens from providing overseas technical assistance that could help produce plutonium. Plutonium, which is one of the by-products of nuclear reactors, can be used to develop nuclear arms. Though a South African official claimed that the US citizens were not violating any laws, other officials said the legality of the situation had not yet been determined, and that President Reagan has ordered an investigation.

Some US personnel are consultants but others include systems operators and assistants in emergency planning. South Africa has refused to sign a nuclear non-proliferation treaty and is suspected of possessing—or nearly possessing—the technology capable of producing nuclear arms. South African officials have refused to allow inspections at many of their nuclear installations.

**MORE WAR GAMES:** Designed to "...evaluate the deployment capabilities of American forces," over 18,700 United States soldiers are currently engaged in a West German-based military exercise dubbed Reforger '85.

Scheduled to run throughout next month, this US military exercise—the 17th held on European soil—is designed, as one Pentagon official put it, "to show US resolve to re-enforce NATO-committed ground units in a crisis situation." The schedule may not run as planned, however, because the last major NATO military exercise held there drew hundreds of protesters.

While the West German government currently complies with the NATO game-plan commitment, South Pacific alliance member New Zealand is reluctant to play in the proposed US—Australian sea games known as Sea Eagle. According to Sea Eagle theory, US battleships, possibly armed with nuclear weaponry, would be stationed in a New Zealand port. But New Zealand, headed by Labor Party Prime Minister David Lange, is a declared nuclear-free zone with no intentions of accepting US nuclear-armed or nuclear-powered submarines. The issue threatens to strain the 1951 ANZUS—Australia, New Zealand, United States—Alliance, which, like NATO, calls on the member nations to align "to meet a common danger."

**OLD WAR, NEW STORY:** The government of Honduras has threatened to withdraw support for Nicaraguan contras if the US Congress votes not to resume funding for the contras.

The congressional vote, slated to take place in March, will decide whether the 12,000 anti-government guerillas stationed in Honduras get $14 million in aid for fiscal 1985. The contras have relied heavily on US aid in the five-year war against the government of Nicaragua and would suffer without it. US aid to the contras has topped $80 million.

Hondurans are clearly upset with the Reagan administration's policy towards the contras which they feel has been inconsistent and short-sighted. Honduran military personnel point out that the 12,000 contras in Honduras could prove to be a big headache to the 14,000-man Honduran army. Honduran officials are worried that the contras will break down into war-lord armies and rely on smuggling and extortion to continue the war if the US Congress votes to resume funding.

The Reagan administration has stated that it will seek to fortify the Salvadoran, Honduran, Guatemalan and Costa Rican armies to "put pressure" on Nicaragua if Congress votes against the funding.

In a new twist on an old theme, the Reagan administration is attempting to reestablish the flow of US dollars to the contras by calling it "humanitarian aid." The proposed "aid" which Reagan is seeking from Congress would supposedly go to "rebel families."

**COUNTING THE CONTRA:** US-backed contras have accepted the amnesty offered by Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega. The declaration of amnesty was made January 10, during Ortega's presidential inauguration speech.

The offer of amnesty extends to all contras who "surrender or deposit their arms before the competent authorities." The law also states that those contras who were agricultural workers before taking arms against Nicaragua will be guaranteed jobs by the Agricultural and Agrarian Reform Ministry.

Among the 57 counterrevolutionaries who turned themselves in last Friday were 12 Indians who were part of the Democratic Revolutionary Alliance (ARDE). All those who accepted the amnesty turned in their weapons to Nicaraguan authorities.

Nicaraguan military officials attribute the quick contra response to the strength of Sandinista military forces and the low morale among the contra mercenaries. There are an estimated 8000 to 10,000 contras fighting in Nicaragua.

**COLD SHOULDER FOR THE GUESTWORKER:** The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) announced last week it plans to propose legislation which would "legalize" the estimated 300,000 undocumented farmworkers annually entering the United States. But the plan is drawing severe criticism from both farm laborers and owners.

According to Hispanic and farm labor organizations, the proposed legislation will spark an influx of foreign workers, which they argue will not only hamper union organizing efforts but also lower wages and increase worker exploitation.

The Western Grower's Association (WGA) voiced farm owners' fears that the proposal will result in heightened bureaucracy and decrease in their personal rights. Part of the proposal stipulates that growers, in order to qualify for the program, must consent to rigorous INS inspections of property and business documents. In addition, INS officials could conduct the searches without the use of warrants. These warrantless inspections, argues WGA president Terry Stack, violate property rights and interfere with business.

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## *Local Abortion Clinics*

# Terrorism Strikes Home

**by Susanna Heckman**

OUTSIDE CHOICE MEDical Group's family planning clinic, a woman faces picketers who try to give her pink, rose-adorned pamphlets warning her of the "harmful and permanent effects of abortion," or booklets with pictures of bloody aborted fetuses in them. Inside, she finds white, rose-adorned brochures promising "a safe, supportive environment for women who elect abortion."

In Santa Cruz's microcosm of the furious national debate over abortion rights, this woman and other Choice patients are suddenly the focus. The local struggle—recently intensified by a bomb threat to the Los Gatos Choice clinic and frequent anti-abortion picketing—has sent family planning centers scrambling to take new security measures, and drawn attention from national organizations on both sides.

According to Los Gatos Police Detective Ken Berry, Choice reported a bomb threat on December 18, coming from a female caller who stated the clinic would be blown up and "may be a target after the first of the year." He said there have been no threats reported since then and no other leads. Choice staff refused to comment on the threat, but Santa Cruz Choice Director Laurie Chavez did confirm that both the Los Gatos and Santa Cruz clinics recently hired security guards for the first time.

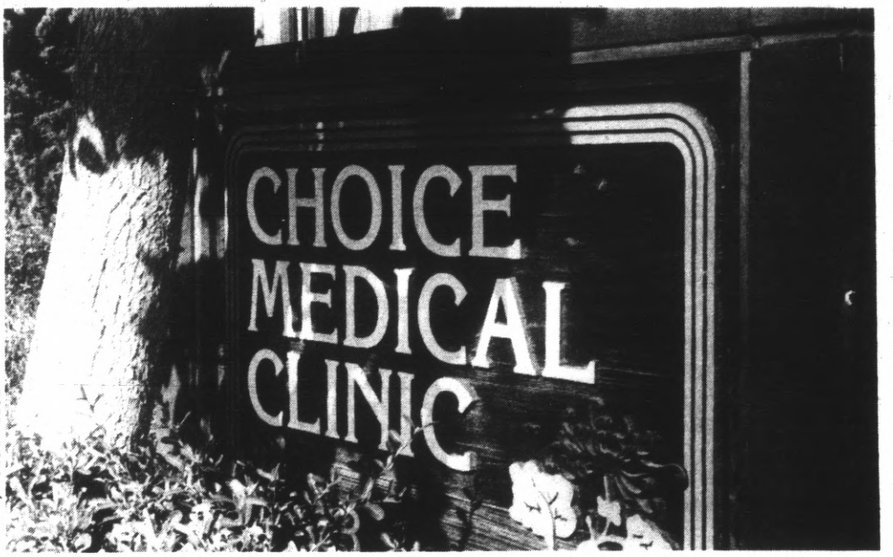
Chavez and other staff also refused comment on the regular anti-abortion picketing in front of the clinic, or its effect on the patients. However, the demonstrations became irritating enough to staff and patients at one point in January that several workers called the sheriff's department to complain.

The staff at Planned Parenthood of Santa Cruz has been talking more about "awareness of security" at staff meetings, and has worked out an emergency procedure to evacuate the building, according to director Meg Corman. She said they haven't received any threats, but someone has been placing nationally-produced "right-to-life" literature in their waiting room.

"We want to help women; we're not out there to condemn anyone," said Edith Manchester, Santa Cruz County director of the Christian Action Council (CAC). Since November, the CAC has assembled some of its approximately 50 local members and other "like-minded people" for the picketing at Choice on Saturdays, she said. Among the literature they try to hand to entering patients are pamphlets by the national organization Women Exploited By Abortion (WEBA).

"Before you make the decision, here are the facts!" the pink WEBA pamphlet declares. "In practically every case documented by WEBA, the woman was never really given ALL of the facts...aspects of the so-called 'safe' procedure can leave permanent physical impairment, not to mention the potential of chronic psychological problems." Without elaborating, the pamphlet then lists 26 "physical effects" of abortion, including crying/sighing, coma, loss of "other" organs, gastro-intestinal disturbances, frigidity, constant swallowing, and at the top of the list, sterility.

The list baffled several local health care workers. "I've never heard of frigidity connected to abortion before," Planned Parenthood's Linda Frazho said. "It might be an emotional problem, but I would never label that as a general side effect." Theodoor Van Ooy, a local gynecologist, puzzled over the "gastro-intestinal disturbances" claim. He speculated that it might mean the nausea and vomiting common to early pregnancy. Neither Frazho nor Van Ooy knew what "loss of other organs" referred to. "Some of these other problems listed could be caused by infection, but that's very rare if one uses sterilized techniques and proper facilities," Van Ooy said. "And with today's very potent antibiotics, 90 percent of infections can be cured."

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Van Ooy added that when abortion was illegal, infections and complications were much more common; but now having an abortion is 40 times safer than giving birth. "Abortion is rather minor surgery, less dangerous than having tonsils removed," he said.

Among the 29 "psychological effects" the pamphlet warns of are guilt, suicidal impulses, remorse/regret, thwarted maternal instincts, intense interest in babies and child abuse. Unattributed quotes also describe an inescapable grief that women are "almost always never told about" beforehand.

BUT BOTH SIDES READILY agree that abortions can cause psychological and emotional difficulty. The issue is what makes the experience worse: lack of prior information or being accosted before the operation. Pro-choice supporters fault groups like the CAC for creating pressure on women who are already going through a sensitive time. "Spectators scream at patients and think they can change their minds," Van Ooy said, "and then say they'll have psychological trauma—when *they're* the ones causing it."

Anti-abortionists counter that they need to inform women because no one else does. According to Manchester, the CAC passes out WEBA's voice-of-experience material because "women are being deceived. We're concerned about the harm (from abortion) to mothers as well as babies?' "

"It's not always a woman's choice," Redwood City WEBA coordinator Kathy Adamson echoed. "There is some deception in the medical field and the clergy." She said her husband, a doctor and former pastor all urged her to have an abortion after she became pregnant from a rape. Although she didn't want to have one, she said she was "in a pretty numb state" and eventually agreed to the procedure for "the peace and comfort of the people around me."

WEBA's California Director Renate Penney said the pamphlets were made for hand-ing out at clinics to combat an "incredible cover-up" by a "multi-million dollar industry." "Women's health is being jeopardized," she said.

WEBA cites no statistics in its literature, but instead bases its claims on personal experience. Penney said that although she went to "the best OB/Gyn in Sacramento" for her pregnancy test, "my informed consent consisted of, 'the test is positive, will you carry it to term or not?' " She also claimed she was unable to carry a subsequent pregnancy to term as a result of the abortion.

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>
> *—Gynecologist Theodoor Van Ooy*

According to Van Ooy, however, a doctor can be slapped with a malpractice suit for neglecting to inform a patient of the risks of surgery and anaesthesia. He said he gives patients information sheets and outlines the risks in person. A *City on a Hill* reporter who called Choice and said she was thinking of having an abortion found that the staff there took similar precautions. A staff member briefly explained prices, procedure and risks over the phone, and gave out more complete information brochures on anaesthesia, procedure, risks and aftercare at the clinic. The staff member said a counseling session precedes the surgery, and antibiotics are given afterward as a matter of routine.

Planned Parenthood of Santa Cruz does not perform abortions, but does offer thorough counseling regarding them. "Right-to-lifers frequently make allegations that women are railroaded into their abortions, but we follow strict protocol," spokesperson Cynthia Mathews said. Linda Frazho, a former counselor, detailed the "protocol," which included a discussion of alternatives, a complete description of abortion procedures, and the possible discomforts and risks.

Planned Parenthood also provides a referral list of local abortion providers and lists what each place charges. Most of the prices run between $200-$300. WEBA and other groups claim that those who perform abortions and "shroud them in misinformation" overcharge. "At $200 for a

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10-minute procedure, they've got a lot of money to make," Penney said.

But Corman of Planned Parenthood countered that abortion is "a service provided out of a demand women are expressing." In a 1984 interview with *City on a Hill*, Chavez of Choice asserted that most patients have already made the decision about their pregnancy before they come in. Van Ooy agreed. The price covers lab fees, counseling, follow-up visits, medication, and contraceptives.

Santa Cruz's deceptively small sidewalk episodes manifest most facets of the increasingly-heated national struggle over abortion rights. all the major players—and most profound issues—present themselves here as well. WEBA's sister organization, the American Life Lobby (ALL), works with groups ranging from the Moral Majority to the Catholic Church in its lobbying efforts, according to ALL California Director John Stoos. While condemning recent violence stemming from anti-abortion fervor, ALL sees it as an "indication that we need to redouble our efforts," because people are getting frustrated with the law, he said. Sidewalk demonstrating will remain an integral part of those efforts, he added, claiming that his group turned aside 60 women at a Bakersfield clinic over a two year period.

Most anti-abortion groups feel linked because of common religious background and goals. Norman Bendrott of CAC's national office told *City on a Hill* last year that "our fundamental philosophy is distinctly Christian." But facing them is an equally intricate network of pro-choice groups—including the American Civil Liberties Union, Planned Parenthood, and the national Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights (RCAR)—which resents media presentation of anti-abortion as *the* religious viewpoint.

"There's no medical, scientific or religious consensus on when human life begins and when abortion is the appropriate action," RCAR California Coordinator Annabelle Kenward said. "Our main purpose is to show people that religious viewpoints vary, to support the right to freedom of religion which is now eroding, so that a woman can continue to make her choice based on her own conscience." She said the RCAR represents at least six major groups from mainstream denominations, and 300 clergy in Northern California alone sponsor the group—including several Santa Cruz pastors and rabbis.

The RCAR, like most of the groups involved in the issue, is growing in membership as the debate heats up—which assures one thing: Santa Cruz's recent upsurge of pickets, propaganda and paper roses is here to stay for a while.


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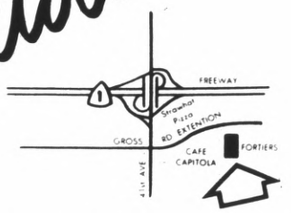

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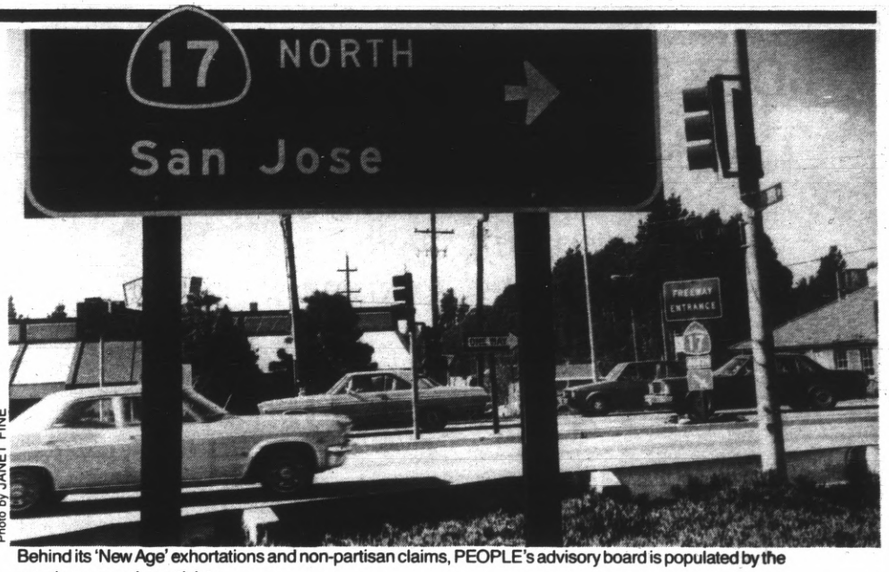


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Behind its 'New Age' exhortations and non-partisan claims, PEOPLE's advisory board is populated by the usual conservative activists.

by Chris Geiger

PEOPLE MAY BE PEOPLE, as the saying goes, but which people are PEOPLE? A few months ago, a small group of county residents adopted this name (which stands for "Planned Evolution of Positive Lifequality and Environment") to pursue what they claim to be non-partisan, non-political solutions to long-range planning in the county. But the group's tactics and conservative ties have inspired skepticism in some local observers, who believe that between now and the city council election next fall, PEOPLE's politics will grow all too obvious.

"It's intriguing that when an organization like PEOPLE arises—like a *Phoenix* from the ashes—to address issues, [local politicians are] critical instead of embracing it as a positive entity," said PEOPLE's executive director Nance Lee McKendrick. But Santa Cruz Mayor Mardi Wormhoudt believes PEOPLE's stance is deceiving. "It's a mistake for them to say they're not political," she said. "There's nothing wrong with being political."

The parallels between PEOPLE and ALERT-Santa Cruz, a conservative "educational" group with similar goals and organization, lend substance to the skepticism. Joanne Martin, PEOPLE's executive board

**Events like the Myth California protests provided the impetus for PEOPLE's formation.**

chair and co-founder, also served on ALERT's board, edited its newsletter, and chaired one of its committees. Lorette Wood, another PEOPLE board member, was a founding member of ALERT.

Martin and Wood are also plaintiffs in the conservative challenge to the 1983 city council election, which attempted to unseat Councilmember Jane Weed by disqualifying 472 UCSC student votes. Although unsuccessful, the challenge has been appealed, and the ultra-right wing Pacific Legal Foundation now backs the effort.

In addition, nine PEOPLE officers made political contributions to the conservative All Santa Cruz Coalition (ASCC), a campaign committee explicitly tied to ALERT during the fall '83 council elections. And, despite McKendrick's claim to being "very much a bipartisan organization," only four of PEOPLE's 17 officers are registered Democrats; of those four, two have contributed to conservative-slate campaigns.

ALERT sprang up about a year before the '83 election and—like PEOPLE—registered as an educational organization. However, its personnel and stance on the issues soon placed it in the conservative camp; ALERT shared its treasurer, legal counsel, and two chairpeople with the conservative All Santa Cruz Coalition. The ASCC was an explicitly political committee that backed four council candidates' campaigns.

Unlike "political" committees, groups officially listed as "educational" such as ALERT and PEOPLE are not required to file financial disclosure documents, and the way is therefore open for major, anonymous contributions. ALERT/ASCC counsel Tim Morgan admitted in a Santa Cruz *Sentinel* article last year that ALERT purposefully tried to remain outside the city's $75 campaign spending limit, which he termed "self-serving." Before long, ALERT began openly searching for "nonpartisan, politically moderate individuals to challenge the 'socialist/feminist' bloc" in the city council. Some officeholders now believe PEOPLE may be following in ALERT's tracks, although with some refinements; City Councilmember Mike Rotkin called the group a "transparent son of ALERT."

Martin denied Rotkin's charge, saying the "major difference" between ALERT and PEOPLE is that "ALERT served the city of Santa Cruz, while we [PEOPLE] are taking a much broader perspective." She added that basic issues "too often become politicized" in the county, and the debate over PEOPLE's politics has been overblown. "People who run for office will naturally view things from a political perspective—they're politicians," she said. "But not everything has to be a political football."

According to McKendrick, PEOPLE was conceived as a group last August and September. Several "long-term residents, who prefer to remain anonymous" approached her at the time, and asked her to sit in on a discussion of long-range regional planning. (Martin later said she was one of the originators.) The impetus, McKendrick said, was the "bad publicity this community has received recently" in national press—due to events like the "Myth California" anti-beauty pageant protests and issues such as the "troll-busting" violence against homeless people.

**One of PEOPLE's first projects was the distribution of free 'deathtrap 17' decals.**

McKendrick, who moved to Santa Cruz County two years ago from Orange County, was chosen as executive director because of her public relations and communications skills, she said. In Orange County she listed her occupation as a "consultant" with the registrar of voters. Other PEOPLE board members include Seaside Company (the boardwalk) owner Charles Canfield, former Santa Cruz Mayor Lorette Wood, Scott Smith, editor of the San Jose *Business Journal*, and Miss California Pageant producer Charles Grebmeier. The advisory board was chosen based on the criteria of "broad geographic and professional interests and past involvement in civic activities," McKendrick said.

AS ITS FIRST PROJECT, the new group decided to evaluate county residents' chief concerns by means of a phone survey, McKendrick said. McKendrick and Martin, however, diverged in their accounts of the survey's origins. McKendrick said it was PEOPLE's own phone survey, conducted in September by volunteers using a random sample of county residents. Martin, however, said "we didn't do our own survey," but instead "pulled together campaign surveys from past candidates." She declined to identify the campaigns involved, or whether the controversial survey commissioned by ALERT in 1983 was included.

Whatever the information source, transportation issues emerged as the most frequently cited issue on the surveys, McKendrick said, along with quality employment and the problems of the city's homeless population. Transportation subsequently became PEOPLE's first *cause celebre* and, some have argued, a hotly political topic.

The county's Regional Transportation Plan—and particularly its recommendations for safety improvements on Highway 17—erupted as an issue of debate at a special city council hearing in October. Before the meeting, the county Transportation Commission, which includes Wormhoudt, Councilmember John Laird and County Supervisor Gary Patton, declared itself "unalterably opposed" to adding lanes to the highway as a safety measure.

Progressives on both the city council and transportation commission fear that a larger conduit to Silicon Valley would only strain growth control measures beyond their means.

"Most of us [in Santa Cruz County] want to remain an autonomous community, and not become part of the South Bay urban sprawl," Wormhoudt stated at last week's People's Democratic Club meeting. "Highway 17 is one of the things that helps keep us that way."

Although they hadn't yet gone public prior to the October council meeting, PEOPLE began advertising the hearing, through means that included a billboard posted at the highway's summit. Several PEOPLE speakers addressed a crowd of around 400 at the hearing, and strongly criticized the transportation commission's opposition to widening 17. Widening, rather than just safety, quickly became the issue of the night.

Regarding the Highway 17 issue, PEOPLE boardmember and Seaside Company owner Charles Canfield remarked last week that "everything is behind the smokescreen of growth/no-growth. But the fact is that growth is occurring—you don't wait until you drown in your own effluent." He also denounced the city's lack of "improvements" in the Beach Flats/Beach neighborhoods.

After the hearing, the group initiated its publicity efforts in earnest. First came the "deathtrap" decal program: free decals depicting a skull inscribed over the number "17," available at most county service stations. The decal program marked the group's first public appearance, complete with artsy, three-color stationery and the acronym PEOPLE.

At about this time, PEOPLE also released its critique of the County Regional Transportation Plan. The heart of their argument is that the amount of traffic had been underestimated by eight to ten million people a year, because tourists were not accounted for in the statistics. Associate County Transportation Planner Meredith Roeder disagreed, noting that traffic loads are measured during peak commute hours, when the glut of cars reaches its apex. "To say we haven't taken them [tourists] into account is not true," she said. "We just haven't separately taken them into account."

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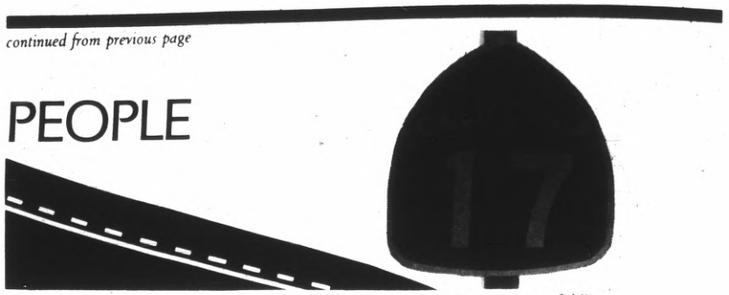

PEOPLE's next project—and its most visible to date—was the publication of a 12-page tabloid called *Forum*. Featuring a "Santa Cruz Transportation Game" in its centerfold and a professional-looking layout, the paper implored readers to "Be bold, be adventurous, be creative and help us move Santa Cruz County from the negative to the positive."

Although its goals faintly resemble those of ALERT—with much emphasis on "working in united harmony,"—PEOPLE's admonitions have so far been lower-key. All of its essays on transportation issues, however, took stands sharply critical of the city and county. "I would never suggest it's a random representation of the community in general," Martin explained.

Due to its educational status, PEOPLE's funding sources for the tabloid, decals, stationery, etc. remain opaque. Martin and McKendrick both said the tabloid paid for itself, through its two and a half pages of ads. Martin said PEOPLE has set up a sort of "blind trust" to receive contributions anonymously. "It hampers our judgement if we're tied to a particular funding source," she said. "We may well support something that goes against their interests. If we've received a generous contribution from [progressive Councilmember] John Laird," she joked, "we're very grateful."

At least one advertiser has mixed feelings about PEOPLE's paper. Ad manager Frank McGovern of Dominican Hospital said that when he bought the ad he understood the group to be non-partisan, but since its publication there was a "commotion" about their politics. The hospital, he noted, does not endorse PEOPLE. "It was an embarrassment to Dominican," he said, "because it made us seem at odds with the county supervisors. We're not."

Where will PEOPLE go from here? According to McKendrick, the next issue of *Forum* will probably come out in February, and will concentrate on the transient issue. The group plans to organize task forces around various other topics, and submit recommendations to governmental bodies.

As for politics, Martin and McKendrick both denied interest in running for council next fall. "I doubt that we'll support candidates...not as a group, not as an official sanctioned thing," Martin said.

But Canfield was perhaps less adamant in denying PEOPLE's politics. "I guess because most of us think in terms of shaping overall goals for the community, that we would be political," he said. "But every little group is political."


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# CAMPUS *clips*

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## They Call This Trickle Down?

As the Reagan administration takes out the red pencils to slash government spending, many college students may feel a serious financial pinch. The administration's budget for the fiscal year of 1986 includes a proposal that will deny Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL) to students whose families have an income over $30,000 a year; another proposal will limit federal aid—from all sources—to $4000 a year per student.

According to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, the administration's aim is to give most of the federal aid to students from low-income families. But it is the neediest students that will be affected by the proposed limit on federal aid. Presently students can receive up to $7000 in federal aid a year.

Eligibility for the GSL is currently based on a family's need and has no ceiling on income. Undergraduate students from families with an income lower than $30,000 a year can receive $2500 a year for five years. If a student's family earns more than $30,000 a year but proves that it is unable to pay for college costs, the student can obtain a GSL.

The *Chronicle* also reported that Education Department officials have already agreed to the budget; however, educators and congressmembers are expected to oppose the cuts. The "student-aid cap" will affect private colleges and universities where costs exceed $7000 a year. Both private and public institutions can expect enrollment declines as a result of the proposed cuts. The budget will be presented to Congress the first week of February.

## And Now for the Good News

Recently proposed state legislation may ease the financial pinch a little for UCSC students. There's a new, unprecedented plan afoot in Sacramento to limit increases in student fees in the University of California and State University systems.

The state's Student Fee Policy Committee, composed of two members of the UC Student Lobby, university officials, and a bipartisan group of legislators announced its plan January 16 to impose a 10 percent limit on all future student fee increases, and to establish a new adjustment formula for calculating the increases.

In the last five years, undergraduate student fees have increased by almost 70 percent from $736 to $1317. The proposed bill would "put a stop to [the legislature] trying to balance the state budget on the backs of college students" Fresno state Senator Ken Maddy told the San Francisco *Chronicle*.

The committee's proposal stipulates that all system-wide mandatory student fees will be set "at least 10 months prior to the fall term in which they become effective." According to Ron Balestrieri, one of the UC Student Lobby members of the Policy Committee, "This ensures that students will know well in advance what the fees will be for the coming year, and will give financial aid offices plenty of time to make any adjustments that are required."

Students receiving financial aid will be protected from increases that would occur under the proposed policy because the plan also stipulates that the legislature must provide enough student aid to offset fee increases.

## Campus Sanctuary

On February 9, UC Riverside will host a one day conference on campus sanctuary. Sanctuary is a nationwide movement of churches, synagogues and universities to protect Central American refugees. A sanctuary either provides living space or assists refugees in their search for housing, jobs, and legal aid.

The "underground railroad" breaks federal law by harboring illegal aliens that the Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) is attempting to deport. The State Department claims that the refugees are in the US only to seek jobs; however the refugees insist that they are fleeing political persecution in their war-torn countries. But the State Department has refused to grant these refugees political asylum.

According to a news bulletin from the UCR Graduate Students Association, "Sanctuary offers a concrete and direct way to educate the eampus university community in the inhumane policies of the US government in Central Americal and of the INS, as well as providing a direct service to the refugees created as a result of these policies."

The conference will discuss the process and steps involved in declaring a campus sanctuary. For more information contact the UCR Graduate Student Council at (714) 787-3740.

## Lectures for Ethiopia

Three Kresge faculty members will participate in a special lecture series to raise money for the college's Ethiopian Famine Relief Drive. Money donated at the lectures will go directly to Oxfam International, which distributes aid through non-government relief agencies to some of Ethiopia's hardest hit areas, including Eritrea, Tigre and Wollo.

All lectures will take place in Kresge Seminar Room #159.

February 7, 5pm, Norma Wikler, Associate Professor of Sociology, "The Age of Artificial Reproduction is Here."

February 21, 4pm, Bettina Aptheker, Visiting Lecturer, Women's Studies, "To Do Meaningful Work in Women's Studies: The Paradox of Theory."

March 7, 4pm, James Clifford, Associate Professor, History of Consciousness, "The Invention of Culture: Affinity of the Tribal and (Post) Modern."

Since December, UCSC faculty and staff have contributed $5,073 to Oxfam. According to Stephen Reed, Director of Community and Legislative Relations, "Our goal was to try to respond to the Ethiopians' need, and my hope is that students will mount some kind of drive as well." He added, "The account is still open to receive more funds."

At least 300,000 people have died in Ethiopia, which is experiencing its worst famine in a decade, and possibly its worst famine in history. Oxfam estimates that between seven and ten million Ethiopians are in desperate need of food and water.


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# CITY*clips*

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## Nader Needles Local Leather

Salz Leathers was one company of 249 nationwide named by a Ralph Nader consumer lobby as a site where workers face an increased risk of cancer and other health problems, due to exposure to hazardous substances.

According to Salz President Norman Lezin, quoted in last week's Santa Cruz *Sentinel*, the report is untrue and "can only malign us and frighten our workers." He also said that a previous study conducted by The National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in 1977 found no detectable levels of benzidine, one toxic substance in question, which was used in one of their black leather dyes. And to be extra cautious, Lezin said, Salz discontinued its use after the study.

The Public Citizen Health Research Group released the list of industrial sites affecting approximately 250,000 employees. The list was based on a study by NIOSH, and was obtained by Nader's group through the Freedom of Information Act. The study monitored health and employee records beginning in 1972, but NIOSH failed to notify individual employees who might be affected, saying they notified the companies and unions of the study's results.

Many workers, however, were never notified that they might be subjected to increased risk of cancer, according to the Nader group's report.

## PG & E

Between the cold weather and the January 1 electric rate increase, most Pacific Gas and Electric customers' bills doubled this month, according to Dennis Allen, a PG&E spokesperson.

Now, the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is considering another monthly rate increase proposed by PG&E to recover costs of the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant. PG&E attributed the plant's excessive construction costs, estimated at $5.4 billion, to misread blueprints, erroneous earthquake data and environmental lawsuits. The PUC must determine what percentage of these costs customers will bear.

PG&E representatives asking for a $1.53 a month hike at a PUC proceeding last December were met with accusations, by Attorney General John Van de Kamp, that PG&E was guilty of "excessive and unreasonable" expenses. Van de Kamp, who originally defended Diablo Canyon in licensing proceedings, now believes PG&E should be penalized for its errors. "PG&E should not be paid for its mistakes," he said. The PUC has the authority to reject any expenses it does not consider "reasonable and prudent," shifting those costs to PG&E shareholders.

In accordance with Van de Kamp, the Santa Cruz City Council passed a resolution this week requesting the PUC to "closely scrutinize" all costs of the Diablo Canyon plant. The resolution states that utilities customers should not have to reimburse PG&E for costs resulting from poor management, planning or construction. Councilmember Jane Weed, who instigated the resolution, said that it will not bind the PUC to any specific action in Santa Cruz County but it will help the PUC to "gauge public opinion" on the issue.

According to Weed, several different proposals regarding the rate increases are currently "floating" around at the PUC, and—with commercial operation scheduled to begin at Diablo in mid-February—a final decision is expected soon.

## Wastes: Down Off the Farm

Agricultural wastewater from the San Joaquin Valley that could conceivably be channelled into Monterey Bay may contain levels of pesticides, heavy metals and carcinogens drastically higher than previously estimated, according to Monterey County Environmental Health Director Walter Wong. Wong's measurements of Kesterson Reservoir water showed levels of arsenic 500 times the level deemed safe by the state health department, along with unacceptably high concentrations of seven other metals and some pesticides.

Kesterson is situated in a wildlife refuge near Los Banos, and currently receives irrigation runoff from the western San Joaquin Valley via the San Luis Drain. The contaminants leach from desert soils in the area, where Bureau of Reclamation water projects have made large-scale agriculture possible. A hearing on short-term clean-up solutions of the reservoir is scheduled for February 5.

The bureau's figures contrast dramatically with Wong's. Its tests found only selenium, zinc, and nickel present at dangerous levels, at concentrations up to 4200 times lower than Wong's. The bureau has disputed Wong's statistics and asked him to split samples between their labs (at the US Geological Survey) and his to check accuracy. In the meantime, thousands more waterfowl died last week at Kesterson from unknown causes.

Ocean discharge into Monterey or Morro Bays represents one of five proposed solutions to the contamination problem. Rich Tarplin, legislative analyst for Congressmember Leon Panetta, said that —although important—the dumping issue may have grown "bigger than its britches," since the ultimate decision on disposal won't come down for two to five years. But Panetta has strongly opposed the option, and along with local governments has pushed for its removal from consideration.

Don Swain, chief of the bureau's Environmental Resources Branch, said the "selenium issue became so intense [in the Monterey Bay area] that we thought we'd have to go back through the question again," to relook at the other disposal options.

Panetta has also explored classifying Monterey Bay as a marine sanctuary to protect it from the proposed dumping. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which administers the sanctuaries, wrote Panetta last week and said the option was unlikely, Tarplin said.

*UC Investments in South Africa*

# A Part of Apartheid

Photo by THABO MOETI

A crowd at a funeral for a slain student in Soweto.

**by Charlotte Kaufman**

DESPITE YEARS OF PROTEST and criticism, the University of California still has a large percentage of its investments tied up in corporations and banks that do business in South Africa. According to a UC News Office information sheet, "half of the Regents' corporate holdings (around 25 companies) do business [there]. UC investments in those companies is about $1.8 billion." Although it is unlikely that the Regents will divest this money in the near future, public pressure has forced the board to review these controversial investments.

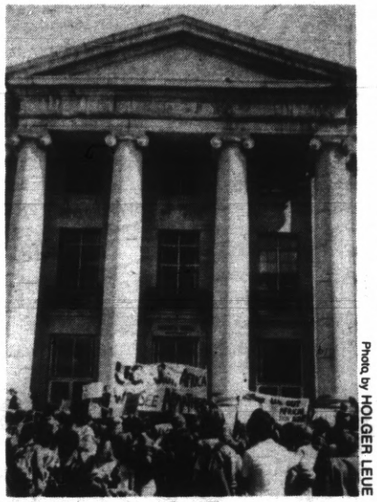
"Academic institutions that continue to invest are supporting the racist South African apartheid," said Congressmember Charles Hayes in a recent phone interview with *City on a Hill*. Hayes is a representative from the First Congressional District in Chicago and is an outspoken critic of the South African government. "These academic institutions are simply undermining the effort of those who are seeking a normal way of life and want to change the system in South Africa." He added, "UC is guilty of this and should divest their investments."

During the late '70s UC students, faculty, and staff called for the divestment of the Regents' investment in companies that did business in South Africa. Most of the campuses, including UCSC, held student sit-ins and demonstrations. But when Regent Mervin Dymally (a former California lieutenant governor) presented a divestment proposal to the board in 1977, it was rejected by a two-to-one margin.

"The university reaffirms its commitment to continue to recognize those responsibilities which results from its partial ownership of American corporations," according to a policy adopted by the Regents the same year that they rejected the divestment proposal. "The university's investment policies must strive fundamentally for maximum return consistent with the prudent preservation of capital." The policy concluded, "Consistent with this objective it is appropriate that the university considers its responsibility in the context of the social and moral concerns of the university community."

Many members of the "university community," however, were not convinced of the Regents' commitment to moral and social concerns. Now eight years later, UC community members are still not convinced and are calling again for UC divestiture.

Last December approximately 1000 protestors showed up for a rally organized by the UC Divestment Coalition at UC Berkeley condemning UC ties in South Africa. Thirty-eight students were arrested; they were eventually released but charged with a misdemeanor for blocking a sidewalk. Some of the students also face a charge of resisting arrest. The protestors' next court date is February 7.



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UC Berkeley students calling for divestment.

Formed in November, the coalition is made up of various UCB campus groups including Students Against Reaganism, the African Students Association, Students Against Apartheid, and the Graduate Students Association.

"Students can and should have the right to have a say about the issue," said Eric Nakano, a member of the coalition. The UCB coalition plans to work with other UC campuses and form a network of student coalitions for divestiture. The coalition is also contacting a number of state and federal legislators including Maxine Waters who recently introduced state Assembly Bill 134 calling for the divestiture of state agencies and institutions that invest in companies doing business in South Africa.

Nakano said concerned faculty and unions of UC staff employees will work with the coalition as well. Some of the coalition's ideas include a statewide rally, demonstrations at the Regents meetings, petitions, and a distribution of information about UC investments. "If enough pressure can be generated we might be able to push the Regents into [divesting]," said Nakano.

Nakano admitted that it will not be easy to convince the Regents to divest, but pointed out "the issue is now on the Regents' agenda." At the January Regents meeting Student Regent Fred Gaines presented a proposal that called for a report from the treasurer of the university on UC investments in South Africa. The report, said the proposal, must include "no less than three options for dealing with the issue of the Regents' investments in companies operating in the Republic of South Africa."

"The Regents need to have a policy which evaluates the companies they invest in, on the basis of their social consciousness and their social responsibility not only in the US but all over the world," said Gaines. "In the past the issue has always been framed 'should we divest or not divest?' " and proposals to divest lost, continued Gaines. "Today it would still lose. There are not enough Regents willing to sell that large of the portion of the portfolio."

The Regents unanimously passed Gaines' proposal. "This is a very mild motion," said Gaines. "The Regents had very little choice but to pass it."

BUT MANY OF THE STUDENT groups that worked with Gaines on the proposal were upset about a last minute change. Gaines amended the proposal to have the treasurer's report due back at the June meeting instead of the May meeting as originally planned. "The bottom line is that I really did not have much choice in the matter," said Gaines.

According to Gaines, UC President Gardner wanted the date changed to the June meeting. "I needed the president's support," he continued, "or else the Regents would not have passed the proposal."

The problem with the June meeting, explained Gaines, is that it will be held at UCSC when all the students will be out of school. The May meeting is scheduled for Berkeley, which is the center of strong student, faculty and staff activism on the divestment issue. Many students claim that the Regents wanted the date changed in order to avoid a direct confrontation with massive protests.

Gardner recently denied these claims. In an interview with the UC Network Radio News the president insisted the changes were made in order to give the treasurer sufficient time to prepare the report.

Nakano said that Gaines should have consulted with the students that worked with him on the proposal. "We would have much preferred the May meeting," said Nakano. Nevertheless, he continued, "at least the investments are now an issue. It will be much easier to organize around it." Nakano expects that a demonstration will be held at the May meeting and possibly at the June meeting.

"The way the student force should approach this is as a long term struggle," said Nakano. "If we don't get divestment in June we don't give up."

"The Regents are going to have to be made to make a choice that is to their economic interest to divest or partially divest," said Robert Rice, an elected officer of the Graduate Assembly at Berkeley and a member of the Student Body Presidents' Council. Rice spoke at the January Regents meeting in favor of Gaines' proposal. "The Regents don't have a very good track record on the issue [of divestment] but it is getting harder and harder to defend their investments in South Africa."

According to Rice, "There is an academic debate on whether to divest" or to put stockholder pressure on those companies that do business in South Africa. The use of shares to pressure companies has been the alternative to divestment offered by the majority of the Regents in the past.

Regent spokesperson Lilia Villanueva said that prevailing opinion in the late '70s was that "US business in South Africa, by fostering the Sullivan principles (a work code used by some companies in South Africa) would be more effective than divesting. It would be an attempt to effect change from within," she added.

"I think that stand," said Rice, "gets around the basic point that people should not invest in racism."

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# Apartheid

"THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD be voting their shares responsibly," said the President of Working Assets, John Harrington. "But it is almost impossible to get the Regents to vote against the corporate management." Working Assets is a money market fund—based in San Francisco—that invests in "financially sound activities that have a positive impact on America." Working Assets does not invest in firms that have anti-union or anti-affirmative action practices, and has assisted organizations in divesting from South Africa.

Harrington wrote the proposal for divestment that the Regents voted down in 1977. In a recent interview with *City on a Hill*, Harrington briefly explained the steps towards divestiture. "The easiest thing for the UC to do is to refuse to make any additional investments in companies that do business in South Africa." Harrington said the university could place its short term securities in a money market fund, and restrict future investments once the securities matured.

"For the long-term portfolio," continued Harrington, "the university could refuse to purchase stocks or any long-term fixed-incomes securities. Over a period of time they can swap bonds that are not in companies in South Africa, that yield the same interest. Eventually the university could divest its stocks from companies in South Africa. "It would have to be done prudently and over a period of one to three years," added Harrington.

"It is not only financially irresponsible to invest in South Africa, it is also inhumane and immoral," said Harrington. "In South Africa they are making money off the backs of slave labor."

Harrington said a growing number of churches, companies and unions, as well as some city and state governments are taking steps to divest. According to the Office on Africa (a lobby and information arm of the Free Africa Movement, based in Washington, DC), 40 colleges and universities have already divested, including the University of Michigan and Harvard.

"More and more individuals and organizations are understanding that the way you invest money has a definite impact on society," said Harrington.

Although he thinks that chances for UC divestiture are slim, Harrington said, "I don't think that means that people should give up. They need to continue to expose these connections in South Africa." He added, "At least raising the consciousness level would mean that less money from other individuals and institutions will go into these banks and companies that support South Africa."

"The Regents are starting to feel that the public expects them to take a position on this issue," concluded Regent Gaines. "UC enjoys an international reputation as a fine institution and yet here is an issue where there is only one side—apartheid is dead wrong."


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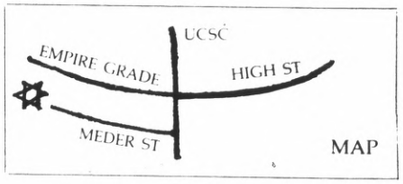


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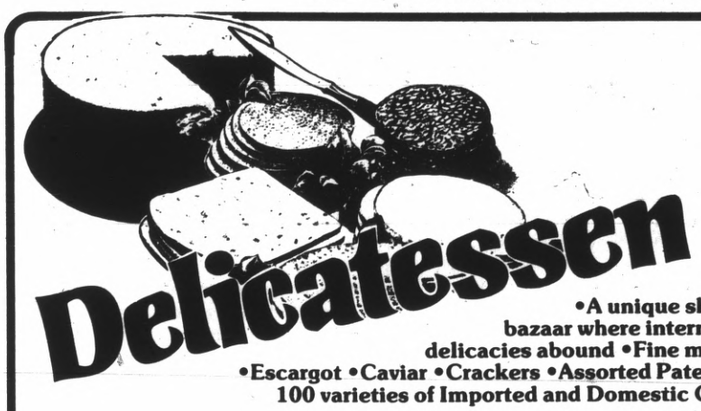

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## MLK Convocation Deserved Some Attention

Dear Staff:

It would have been both helpful and informative to the entire campus community if your newspaper had presented a report on the substance and style of the very successful Martin Luther King Memorial Convocation of January 16, 1984.

The Convocation was noteworthy for a number of reasons. The high quality of the presentations of the two major speakers, the moving music offered by the Progressive Missionary Baptist Church Choir of Santa Cruz, and the efficiency and style of the coordination of the program by students Beverly Gatson and Jay Brown. The program came together in a way that gave all present an unusually memorable experience.

The main speaker, Dr. Vincent Harding, Chair of the Board of the Institute of the Black World and the Director of the Illif School of Theology, University of Denver, reminded us that most Americans have a frozen vision of martin Luther King. This vision is that of a tamed lion reciting a speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963. This speech is remembered by all because of King's ringing declaration: "I have a dream." Harding also reminded us that Martin Luther King died in Memphis in 1968 while leading a fight for the poor of America. Thus King, who died in Memphis, was anything but a tamed lion even though we Americans relegate King to that frozen image of 1963.

Lucille Clifton, Visiting Professor of Literature, gave a series of poetry readings which were both eloquent and biting. These presentations, which included some of her own works, reminded us that the needs of American Blacks are still generally unmet. This is true even though we Americans prefer to consider the "Black Problem" solved.

The lack of attention by your newspaper to this important convocation did not permit the campus to be aware of how affected each of the 500 individuals present were by the moving presentations. Moreover, your ignoring this event underscored what Harding and Clifton emphasized—Americans prefer not to think about the needs of Amercan Blacks. Harding and Clifton ask us all to remember that only 2 percent of UCSC students are Black. We have a long way to go!

Sincerely,
Eugene H. Cota-Robles
Provost of Crown College

## More On Ethnic Studies

Dear Staff:

An ethnic studies breadth requirement would have many advantages, but those cited in last week's "letters to the staff" entitled "Grodberg's Misguided" are faulty to the extent of being farcical.

The letter contends that the majority of students want the requirement. This is very questionable; I would be extremely surprised if the majority even cared. When asked though, most students would probably agree that the requirement is a good thing. This way they can pass as being PC (politically correct) and dodge accusations of racism. At the same time they have made no obligations, because changes in the requirements have no effect on present students—just future students. This clearly is not students taking responsibility for THEIR OWN education. Taking responsibility for one's own education is taking courses free of administrative coercion. Whether students of 13 years past initiated the "struggle" is of no consequence.

The second point, about minority recruitment, is equally absurd. The students at UCSC are the whitest and wealthiest (statistically speaking) of all the UC schools and an ethnic studies breadth requirement would hardly put a dent in that. UCLA and Berkeley have the highest proportionate minority enrollment, and the reasons should be obvious. It is not because those universities have an ethnic studies breadth requirement, because they don't; rather it's because their curriculum offers an education which is instrumental in a competitive market society, one in which minorities have long been at the lower end of. It is true that if the University offered a wide selection of ethnic studies courses, it would attract more wealthy minorites, but for this an ethnic studies breadth requirement is not necessary, and would have little impact.

Therefore, it is my contention that the "whiteness" of this University is due to its limited curriculum and the division of wealth in society, and that the ethnic studies breadth requirement would do little to change that.

Amir Weiss
Kresge College

## Bad Ads

Dear Staff:

Life is full of contradictions. In a country of wealth and opulence we look extreme poverty in the eye every day in the guise of homelessness and hunger on our streets and ignore the human suffering that is taking place. In a country that sanctifies life, complete with a president that calls for an end to legal, safe abortions, we throw trillions of dollars into a race of eventual economic and probable human destruction. In a country that claims to be a champion of democracy and justice, we fight against those ideals in foreign lands and terrorize those who risk their lives to come here searching for freedom. The list goes on and on. I am grateful that this newspaper attempts to point out some of the atrocities and inconsisitencies of our time to the Santa Cruz community.

Unfortunately, you too have your contradictions. It pains me to see at least one full page ad every week by either Safeway, Anheuser-Busch, or AT&T, three of the largest corporations in this country, and the root of many of the ills you discuss and apparently wish to overcome. Support of mass media advertising and their attempted brainwashing, particularly in the case of Anheuser-Busch (see *The Booze Merchants* by Michael Jacobson, et al, published by CSPI, Washington, DC), is condoning the message they project and represent, a homogeneous US citizenry supported by multi-national imperialism. do you need this "blood" money so badly? Think about it.

Peace
Joel Zimmerman
Oakes College

## Censorship at UCSC

Dear Staff:

I am writing on behalf of the Palestine Support Group to express to the university community our concern over the destruction of many of our posters on campus. Our fliers have also been the site of malicious graffiti.

We interpret the illegal removal of our posters as a form of censorship which bodes ill for the social and political health of UCSC. Since the PSG supports anti-imperialist pro-Third World perspectives, an attack on our efforts is an attack on progressives at this campus. It is also an attack on anyone who wishes to educate or be educated. Hence, this is a matter of real concern for everyone at UCSC.

We were pleased on January 17 that our presentation of the film *Occupied Palestine* was very well attended in spite of the attempts to undermine our publicity efforts.

But the danger those attempts represent, of frustrating freedom of speech, mirror on an intimate level what is happening in this country on a national scale—a growing reactionary climate in which it is un-American to think. The problems we must face are not exclusively in Washington however: it is also the immediacy of illegal censorship *right here* that *City on a Hill* readers should be aware of.

Sincerely,
Kiera Powers

**Deadlines for letters** are Tuesday at 5pm. Please type and double space them. Letters over a page in length run the grave risk of being edited. Letters on current events and material appearing in *City on a Hill* will be given precedence to letters rebutting letters appearing here. Send mail to Editor, City on a Hill, Stonehouse UCSC, 95064. Thank you.

# EDITORIAL

## *Keep the Ball Rolling*

APARTHEID, SOUTH AFRICA'S OFFICIAL policy of racial segregation, should be condemned by everyone in the US, including the federal government. However, apartheid is currently supported by US economic investments totalling more than $2.8 billion, and the University of California, which has $1.8 billion invested in companies that do business in South Africa. The Reagan administration also supports apartheid with its policy of "constructive engagement," which enables it to quietly talk to, rather than pressure, the South African government.

South Africa's leaders must be told in crystal clear terms that their white minority rule over the majority Black nation is illegitimate. The 1985 Nobel Peace Prize winner, Reverend Desmond Tutu, cannot even vote in his own country. Blacks are still subject to "passbook" checks when walking in "white" areas. Hundreds of opposition leaders have been imprisoned, many of whom have subsequently died from torture. And the government's "Homeland" policy isolates the 23 million Black Africans by forcing them to live on barren, largely infertile reservations called bantustans. Although they must leave these reservations to find employment, Black Africans who have settled there are legally considered foreigners outside the bantustans; foreigners in their own country.

Since the turn of the century, Blacks have resisted South African racism. Over the past decade the protests have grown and the costs have been severe. The government responded by opening the parliament to the nation's 2.7 million "coloreds," people of mixed race, and to the 850,000 Indian descendants. But the nation's Black majority is still denied citizenship. Half of the US corporations in South Africa responded to the protests by adopting the Sullivan principles, a business code of "better conduct."

But neither the Sullivan principles, nor the new parliament, nor "constructive engagement" address the fundamental issue: dismantling apartheid. Anything short of that is unacceptable.

Some opponents in the United States have chosen economic divestment as their part in the effort to win justice in South Africa. With the increase of media attention and the new surge of protests the US divestment movement has gained new momentum. Over the past ten years 11 cities—including Santa Cruz—and five states have already passed divestment laws. This year California and 26 other state legislatures are expected to debate divestment proposals. On the federal level, the Congressional Black Caucus prepared an anti-apartheid legislation package to introduce to the 99th Congress.

Churches, unions, small companies, universities and colleges have also divested, while others are fighting to do so. Unfortunately though, only a small minority of the UC Regents have expressed a willingness to divest UC funds. The other Regents still insist that maintaining UC's investments in companies that do business in South Africa will help "effect change from within." This faulty and irresponsible excuse has only scarred UC's reputed image as an "intellectual and liberal" institution.

Investment in South Africa provides financial support for apartheid and lends legitimacy to the South African government. UC divestment would indicate to both US corporations and the South African government that UC does not condone the racist, oppressive practices of apartheid. Despite the fact that the Regents are now reviewing these investments, prospects for divestment are dim. Widespread public pressure, however, could have significant impact on the Regents' decision. UC students, faculty, and staff are now coordinating a state-side coalition. Massive protests and letter campaigns can demonstrate our support for divestment. Another pressure tactic—successfully executed by east coast schools—is to tap into alumni resources. UC alumni could use their money to start an alternative investment portfolio instead of donating it to the university.

The Regents will meet on June 20 here at UCSC to review the treasurer's report on UC investments. Of course, this strategically chosen meeting date falls at a time when most of us will be packing up to leave Santa Cruz. We should postpone our summer vacations and testify to the Regents that the UCSC community does not want our registration fees and pension funds to support racism and violent oppression.

In 1976, 1000 South African students were killed during a student anti-apartheid protest where hundreds of thousands rallied. In the summer of 1984, 800,000 students boycotted school in protest of the new parliament that continued the disenfranchisement of the nation's Blacks. In 1977, 400 UCSC students occupied the Central Services building in protest of UC's investment policy. In keeping with the efforts of our brothers and sisters in South Africa, it is time for 400,000 UC students to demand that UC divest. The momentum exists; it is our job to keep the ball rolling.

# KALEIDOscope

## Da Winna An Champeen...

...of our First Annual Boring Winter Vacation Contest has been decided! That's right, kids; after days of sweltering over stacks of entries, co-Arts Editors Jason Roberts and Sara Bethell have chosen the best (i.e., the most boring) essay on the topic: What I Didn't Do On My Winter Vacation.

A big tip of the co-Arts Editor caps to Timothy D. Dawes, a graduate student in chemistry, who set aside his Erlenmeyer flasks long enough to take pen in hand and regale us with a tale of his trip to Michigan (the essay itself is too boring to excerpt here). We'll be mailing a gift certificate good for $5 at Donatello's Gelato to your house, Tim—we like the Zabaglione, although you'll probably order vanilla.

*—Jill Otto*

(EDITOR'S NOTE: If you didn't win, it could be for two possible reasons: a) your writing was not boring, or b) you didn't enter. Either way, we'd like you to consider writing for the *City on a Hill* Arts section; we can always use a fresh face and a fresh perspective, as long as both are attached to some semblance of writing ability. Think you qualify? See us, and we'll see.)

## Crime Plays

I have it on good authority that Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart* is one of the best plays of the '80s. But don't take my word for it—take that of Columbia University, which awarded it the Pulitzer Prize before it even hit Broadway. I've also heard that the production at the Barn Theater directed by Julia Garnett is one of the best student productions in recent history, and one of the best all-around productions in the Santa Cruz theater community this season. It's an auspicious effort by Garnett and company—with a delightfully intricate set by Jyoti Prather and all-out performances by a sterling cast (no, they're not silver).

*Crimes* is a story of intrigue, passion and self-discovery, woven through the lives of a group of sisters and friends in Hazelhurst, Mississippi, circa 1974. It may be set in the South, but don't go expecting Scarlett O'Hara stereotypes and one-dimensional rednecks; Henley's characters occupy a very real and warm world.

The show opens Friday for a two-weekend run, with showtimes at 8pm. Tickets are $3 students/seniors, $4 general and available only at the door; the box office opens at 7:15pm. Come early to get the best seats, y'all.

*—Mia Meego*

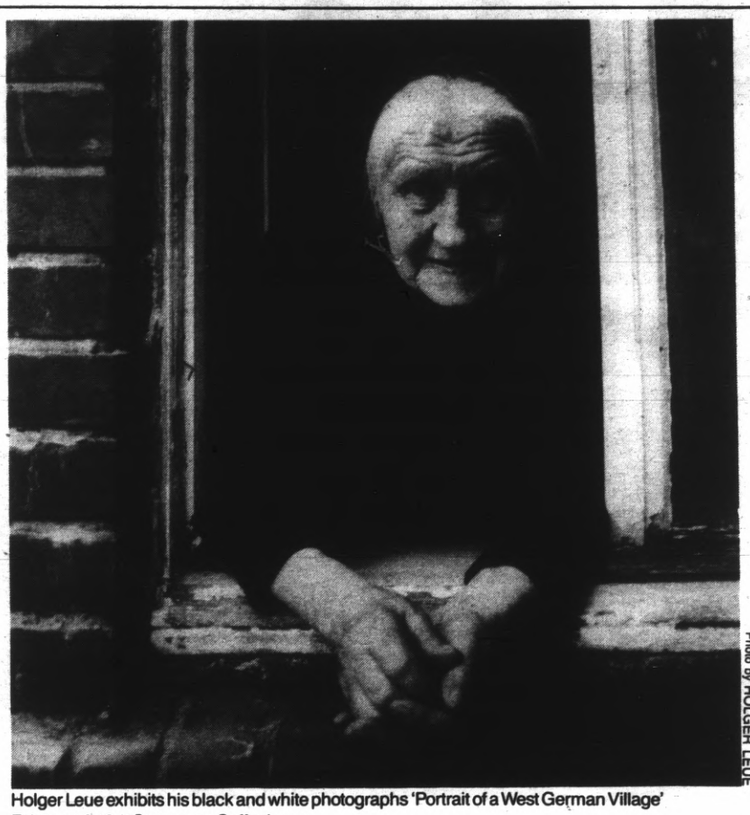

Photo by HOLGER LEUE

Holger Leue exhibits his black and white photographs 'Portrait of a West German Village' February 2-16 at Stevenson Coffeehouse.

## Consciousness Lowering

In PC-by-the-sea, or Santa Cruz as most folks refer to it, you don't find many people chanting slogans like, "We've got the power, we've got the zip, to win the Nuclear championship!" or "Support B-R-A not E-R-A!" But when they do, you know a crowd's going to gather. Gather they will, next Thursday at the Kresge Town Hall, when Ladies Against Women takes the stage in its struggle to "make America a man again." The ladies are taking time out from giving bake sales for the Pentagon ("Why NOT give them a bake sale? My goodness, they never get the budget they want!") to expose the impressionable UCSC community to their particular political outlook. It's at Kresge, Thursday, February 7 at 8pm. Admission is free.

PS: Caroline Cowley, director of the soon-to-hit-the-stage *Suicide in B flat* is in dire need of a couple of enthusiastic, animated and committed actors. Men interested in taking part in Sam Shepard's surreal drama are encouraged to show up at Performing Arts A-105 at 2pm, Saturday, February 2.

*—P. Brewster*

## Cup O' Culture

There's something brewing in the Stevenson Coffee House. No, not the Shop Blend. Nope, not Sweet Smooth Suburban Sumatran either. And it has nothing to do with steamed milk. What could it be? Well, I'll give you a hint. Ready? OK, it's not what's in the cups, it's what's on the walls. Got it yet? No? OK, I'll give you an even bigger hint. It's a photography exhibit by Holger Leue (yes, *that* Holger Leue, photo editor of *City on a Hill*)—black and white pictures focusing on the simple lifestyles of the people of Haunetal, Germany. The exhibit, entitled "Portrait of a West German Village," will adorn the walls of the already happening coffeeshop from February 2-16. If you act fast, you can even catch the reception, which is Saturday at 2pm, and thereby come by the opportunity to drink wine as well as see wonderful pictures. The Coffee House is open every single day, 8-11:30 and 8am-3:30 on schooldays as well. Gosh, that was an awfully big hint. I hope I didn't give too much away.

*—N. Stahmattik*

## Rock N' Recital

The Wednesday Evening Faculty Recital Series continues this week with a presentation of pieces written for harpsichord and recorder. The February 6 concert will feature works by Bach and Handel, who, if they were alive, would be having one heck of a party this year to celebrate their three- hundredth birthdays. It's not exactly a party down at Performing Arts, but you can have a good time listening to Mariko Kan, on harpsichord, and Eli Hollander on recorder. Kan and Hollander will tackle the baroque greats of Bach and Handel by themselves and as a duo, performing such works as Handel's *Suite for Harpsichord No. 3* and Bach's *Sonata for Recorder and Harpsichord No. 3 in F major*. The fun and festivities commence at 8pm, February 6 in the Performing Arts Concert Hall. Tickets are five bucks for general admission and just two bucks for students.

On a much less classical note, they're gonna be having a big fun time in the big city of Santa Cruz this weekend. For starters, Big City hits the Catalyst Friday night; that's the first o' the month, for one big show with Mapenzi. Tickets for this big event are a not-so-big $2/advance and $3.50/at the door. At Cha Cha's, Saturday, February 2 is the big day. That's when the "avant-garde electronic vibrations" of Big City Orchestra and opening act Bent take the big stage. The show starts at 9:30 and the cover charge is $3. Sounds like a big conspiracy to me.

*—Peter Andy Wolf*

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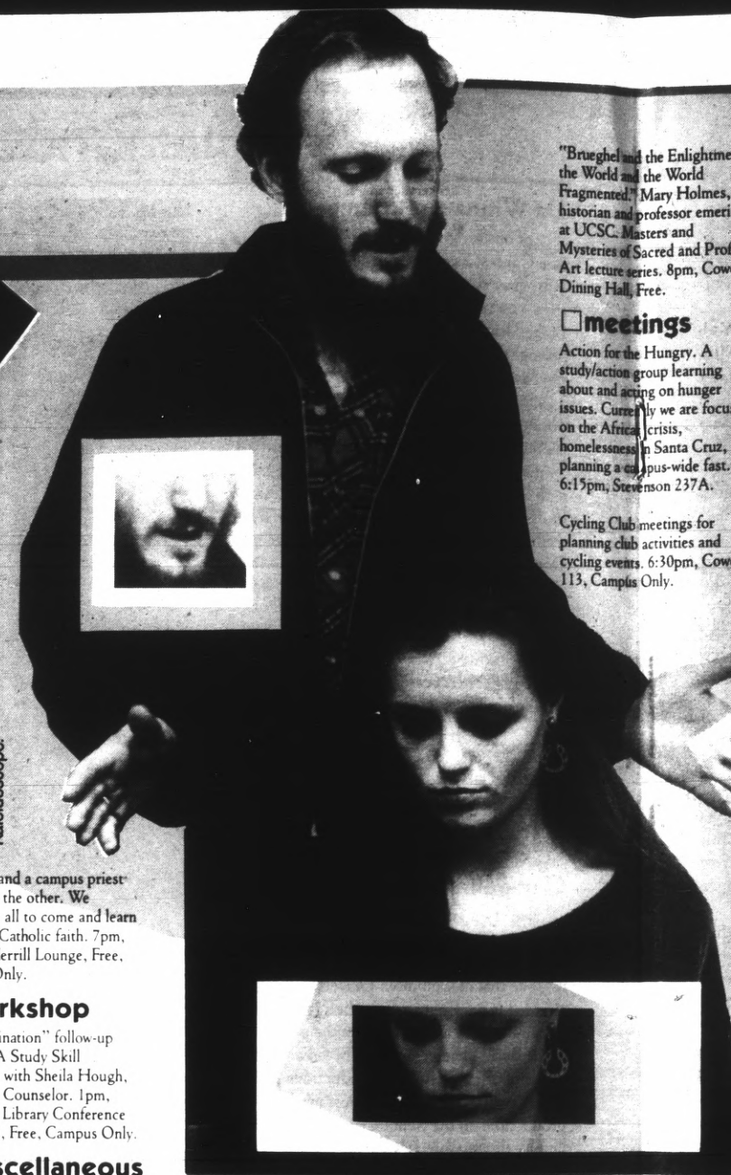
# Calendar



Crimes of the Heart starts its two weekend run this ... begins at 8 pm at the Barn Theater. Tickets are $3 for stud... seniors, $4 for everyone else. For more information, take a pe... Kaleidoscope.

## *Thursday* 31

### ☐movies

*Chinatown* at 8 and 10:15pm. Stevenson Dining Hall, $1.50 Stevenson; $2 general. Campus Only.

*Stormy Weather*. This is the definitive all-Black musical starring most of the legendary Black entertainers of the time while avoiding many of the stereotypes of earlier Black muscial films. Plus *Boogie Woogie Dream* and *Rhapsody in Black and Blue*. Ethnic Cinema in America Series. 7pm, Oakes 105, Free.

### ☐theater

Preview of *Crimes of the Heart*, a play by Beth Henley. A touching comedy of three sisters in a small Southern town. 8pm, Barn Theater, Free.

### ☐meetings

Women's Network meeting for new members or those interested in learning more about the Network. 7:30pm, 356 Kresge.

### ☐exhibits

James Friedman. "Concerning a Personal Project: Photographs of Nazi Concentration Camp Sites." A photographic essay on the Nazi concentration camp sites in Austria, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, West Germany, and Poland by this Ohio-based photographer. Through February 2. Stevenson Library.

Gregory Neri. Photos of abroad. Through February 2. Stevenson Coffeeshop, Free.

### ☐miscellaneous

Israeli folkdancing for everyone. First hour, dances are taught, second hour: review and requests. All levels welcome. come and enjoy yourself! 7:30pm, East Fieldhouse Dance Studio.

## *Friday* 1

### ☐movies

*Hair* at 8pm and *Alice's Restaurant* at 10pm. Cowell Dining Hall, Free, Campus Only.

*Salt of the Earth*, a socially-conscious drama about the struggle of Mexican-American zinc miners and their wives. 7:30pm, Studio C, Communications, Free.

*New York Erotic Film Festival # 1*. A mixture of erotic shorts. 7:30pm, Classroom Unit 2, $2. Campus Only.

### ☐theater

*Crimes of the Heart*, a play by Beth Henley. A touching comedy of three sisters in a small Southern town. 8pm, Barn Theatre. $3 students/seniors, $4 general.

### ☐lectures

"Politics and Palettes: Chicano Mural Paintings." Visiting Professor, Elaine Miller. A slide illustrated presentation on Chicano mural painting in Southern California, and the social and political statements being made in the murals. 4:15pm, 144 Porter, Free. Campus Only.

### ☐meetings

CISPA will be having an open house and general discussion meeting. Food, refreshments, slides of Nicaragua and discussion will be the highlight. 3pm, Merrill Baobab Lounge.

### ☐dance

Air Band Contest. Winner of this contest will enter the Recreation Department's "Winter Carnival." Big cash prizes! Entries register with Gail Heit (x2793). 9pm, Stevenson Dining Hall, Campus Only.

### ☐miscellaneous

Happy Hour at the Whole Earth Restaurant. Look for the tables marked "ReEntry." Take a break and welcome the weekend. The first round is on us! 4:30pm, Campus Only.

## *Saturday* 2

### ☐movies

*In the Heat of the Night* at 8pm and *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* at 10pm. Cowell Fireside Lounge, Free. Campus Only.

### ☐theater

*Crimes of the Heart*. See Friday's listing.

## *Sunday* 3

### ☐movies

*Last Tango in Paris* at 7pm plus *Life of Brian* at 9pm. Kresge Town Hall, $2.

### ☐theater

*Crimes of the Heart*. See Friday's listing.

### ☐meetings

A weekly meeting to discuss upcoming events that the Palestine Support Group will put on. Also, a general discussion about issues relating to the Middle East. 6pm, Charles Merrill lounge.

The Juggling Club is holding workshops every Sunday this quarter. Emphasis will be on technique, performance skill, and fun. 6pm, East Field Activities Building, Campus Only.

### ☐exhibits

Holger Leue. Photos of rural West Germany. Opens today through February 16. Stevenson coffeeshop, Free.

Bill Garnsey. Photos. Opens today through March 1. Stevenson Library, Free.

### ☐miscellaneous

Catholic mass on campus every Sunday evening. 6:30pm, Cowell Health Center Conference Room, Campus Only.

## *Monday* 4

### ☐movies

*A Dream Deferred*, about the black non-violent student protest. Accompanied by a lecture from grad student June Murray-Gill. At 8 and 10pm. Cowell Dining Hall, Free. Campus Only.

*Tokyo Story*. Cinematic masterpiece on cross-generational disappointment. English subtitles. Japanese Cinema Series. 7pm, Thimann 3, $2.

### ☐lectures

"The Cuban Missile Crisis: Kennedy and Soviet-American Confrontation." Barton Bernstein, History Department, Stanford. The Soviet Threat Guest Lecture Series. 4pm, Stevenson Fireside Lounge, Free.

"Synthesis of Some Anthraquinone Type Natural Products." Professor Michael Cava, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. Research Organic Chemistry Seminar. 4:15pm, Thimann 397, Free.

### ☐meetings

Campus-wide gathering of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. Talks will be centered on the Lordship of Christ and lifestyle in the Kingdom of God. All are invited to attend. 6:30pm, Cowell Health Center Conference Room.

Slide-show presentation and talk on Ethiopian Jewry. 7pm, Stevenson Fireside Lounge.

The University Catholic Community is a student run group that is always looking for new members. The meetings alternate: students running them one week and a campus priest talking on the other. We encourage all to come and learn about the Catholic faith. 7pm, Charles Merrill Lounge, Free, Campus Only.

### ☐workshop

"Procrastination" follow-up meeting. A Study Skill Workshop with Sheila Hough, Stevenson Counselor. 1pm, McHenry Library Conference Room 325, Free, Campus Only.

### ☐miscellaneous

Change of Major/College /Name: last day to file petition to be effective spring quarter. Office of the Registrar.

Classes got you down, relationship problems, or just want to talk? Come to the GALA men's rap group. 7:30pm, Kresge 356.

## *Tuesday* 5

### ☐movies

*Born in Flames*, a "futuristic" fantasy set in New York City; after the revolution, bands of feminist guerrillas organize to protect and liberate women. Plus, *One Way or Another*, an unconventional and unassuming love story developed and directed by Cuba's only Black woman director. 7pm, Oakes 105, $2.

### ☐lectures

"Higher Plant Tubulin." Don Foscott, UC Irvine. Helen C. Escolle Seminar Series. 4pm, Thimann 1, Free.

"The Need for Real Educational Reform." Art Pearl, Professor of Education, UCSC. Public Affairs Lecture Series. 7:30pm, Santa Cruz Public Library Meeting Room, Free.

"Brueghel and the Enlightme... the World and the World Fragmented." Mary Holmes, historian and professor emeri... at UCSC. Masters and Mysteries of Sacred and Prof... Art lecture series. 8pm, Cow... Dining Hall, Free.

### ☐meetings

Action for the Hungry. A study/action group learning about and acting on hunger issues. Curr...ly we are focu... on the Africa... crisis, homelessness in Santa Cruz, planning a ca...pus-wide fast. 6:15pm, Stevenson 237A.

Cycling Club meetings for planning club activities and cycling events. 6:30pm, Cow... 113, Campus Only.


I. That's Dancin' 6:15, 8:15, 10:15, weekend matinees 2:15, 4:15
**II. The Falcon and the Snowman** Friday 5, 7:35, 10:10, 2:30 weekend matinee. Mon-Thur 7:35, 10:10

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**I. Amadeus** 6:30, 9:25
**II. The Gods Must Be Crazy** 6:55, 8:55
**III. The Brother From Another Planet** 6:35, 8:35, 10:35
**IV. Stranger Than Paradise** 6:45, 8:25, 10:15

**RIO** 423-2000
**A Passage to India** 5:15, 8:30; 2 pm weekend matinee

**SASH MILL** 427-...11
Thur **The Magic Flute** ..., 9:25
Fri-Sat **Santa Cruz Film Festival**
**Sun-Mon Monty Python and the Holy Grail** 7:30, **Morgan** 9:10
Tue-Wed **Polyester** 7:30, **Eraserhead** 9:05

**UA** 426-8383
**I. Night Patrol** 6:15, 8:15, 10:15; 2:15, 4:15 weekend matinees
**II. Starman** Friday 5:30; Mon-Thur 5:30, 7:45, 10; weekend matinees 1, 3:15
**sneak preview Vision Quest** Friday 7:45

"Brueghel and the Enlightment: the World and the World Fragmented." Mary Holmes, art historian and professor emerita at UCSC. Masters and Mysteries of Sacred and Profane Art lecture series. 8pm, Cowell Dining Hall, Free.

## ☐meetings

Action for the Hungry. A study/action group learning about and acting on hunger issues. Currently we are focusing on the African crisis, homelessness in Santa Cruz, and planning a campus-wide fast. 6:15pm, Stevenson 237A.

Cycling Club meetings for planning club activities and cycling events. 6:30pm, Cowell 113, Campus Only.

Informal Hebrew discussion group for all levels of Hebrew speakers, conducted by Israeli Hebrew teacher. 7:30pm, Stevenson 217.

# Wednesday 6

## ☐movies

*Hearts and Minds* at 8pm and *MLK Jr.: From Montgomery to Memphis* at 10pm. Cowell Dining Hall, Free, Campus Only.

*Rape Culture*. See *Gone with the Wind* as you've never seen it before! Discussion to follow. All welcome. 5:30pm, Classroom Unit 1, Free.

*When Mountains Tremble*. Guatemala's past and present are brought to life in this story of an exiled woman who transforms from migratory peasant to a leader of her people. Cross-Cultural Film Series. 7:30pm, Merrill 102, Free.

*The General*. A locomotive shares the honors with deadpan Keaton in this adventure suggested by a historical incident in the Civil War (1927). With Keaton's *Cops* (1922). Music track. 7:30 pm, Thimann 3, $2.

*Soviet Defense Decisionmaking*. Proceedings of the California Workshop on American Foreign and Defense Policy in the 1980s. Forum at UCLA defense decisions in the in the aftermath of the September 1983 down Korean airliner. The S Threat—A Series of Documentaries. 8pm, Communications, Free

*Arsenic and Old Lace* a *Philadelphia Story*. Wed Night at the Movies S 8:30pm, Porter Dining Porter; $1.50 general.

## ☐concerts

Mariko Kan and Eli Hollander present an evening of music for harpsichord and recorder with an all-Bach and Handel program in honor of the tricentennial anniversaries of these beloved masters. 8pm, Performing Arts Concert Hall. Students/seniors; $3 ge

## ☐lectures

"The Recy Magma. Sciences, UCSC Sciences Seminar Series 368 Applied Sciences, Free.

"The Production of an Official Discourse on Sati in Early Nineteenth Century Bengal." Lata Mani, History of Consciousness student. Colonial rule in India was marked by debates on reforming the "low status" of women in indigenous culture. 4:30pm, Kresge Seminar Room (159), Free. Campus Only.

"Chicano Intellectual Performance: In Search of the Language Factor." Dr. Richard Valencia, UCSC. 5pm, 311 Kerr Hall, Free.

Rollo May, distinguished psychologist and author of *Love and Will* and other award-winning books, will speak. 7:30pm, Kresge Town Hall, $2 at door, limited seating.

## ☐meetings

The staff of *Chinquapin* meets weekly to prepare the literary magazine for its spring publication. All interested students are welcome to attend. 7pm, Cowell 152, Campus Only.

Merrill Bible Study. A chance to study some of Jesus' teaching together. Also: singing, games, fellowship and refreshments. Everyone is welcome. 7:30pm, Merrill Baobab Lounge.

Bible Study. Everyone welcome. Call Lisa at 425-8507 (or x3308) or Jennie at 426-1313. 7:30pm, Stevenson 237A.

*TWANAS* organizational meeting. 7:30pm, Oakes 204.

## ☐miscellaneous

Animal Rights Action Group literature table. T-shirt sales, bumper stickers, general literature (free). Donations accepted. Outside Kresge Seminar room.

"Getting a Grip on Personal Safety." Gillian Greensite, Rape [illegible]inator. Tips on [illegible]nd awareness [illegible] be safer in all [illegible]n's ReEntry [illegible]. 12pm, 101 [illegible] Free.

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[illegible] 10:15pm. [illegible] Hall, $1.50 Stevenson; $2 general, Campus Only.

*Blues Films*, Mike Henerson's masterful documentary capturing rare footage of such Blues greats as Queen Ida, Jimmy McCrackin, and J.C. Burris. Plus, Henerson's ironic and funny shorter works. Ethnic Cinema in America Series. 7pm, Oakes 105, Free.

*El Salvador: Revolution or Death*, [illegible]rful documentary on the [illegible] in El Salvador. Plus, Mexico: *The Frozen* [illegible] comprehensive [illegible]e forces which have [illegible]dern Mexico. 7:30pm, [illegible], Communications, [illegible]

*On Our Land*, a documentary about the lives of the Palestinian people who continue to live within the boundaries of present-day Israel. 7:30pm, Thimann [illegible] Free.

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*An Evening* [illegible] *Women*. [illegible] Hall, Free. Campus Only.

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## ☐lectures

"Excited State Dynamics of Single Rotational Levels of Acetaldehyde and Fomaldehyde." Professor Ed Lee, UC Irvine. Chemistry Colloquium. 4pm, 419 Natural Sciences II, Free.

Ethiopian Famine Relief Lecture Series. "The Age of Artifical Reproduction is Here." Norma Wikler, Sociology, UCSC. Donations for Ethiopian Famine Relief will be accepted. 5pm, Kresge Seminar Room (159), Campus Only.

"Dilemmas of the '60s Student Movement." Todd Gitlin, UCB Sociology Department and author of *The Whole World is Watching: Mass Media in the Making and Unmaking of the New Left*. 6:45pm, Cowell Dining Hall, Free.

## ☐meetings

CISPA will organize several events this quarter, including slide shows, guest speakers, and a possible rally, etc. 7pm, Merrill 102.

Weekly meeting of the Conservative and Moderate Political Union of Students 7pm, Merrill Classroom 3, Campus Only.

Vietnamese Student Association General Meeting. 7pm, Cowell Conference Room, Campus Only.

Chinese Student Association General Meeting. 7:30pm, Merrill Baobab Lounge, Campus Only.

Women's Network general meeting with Status Reports on the Women's Center, the Newsletter, and International Women's Week Events. All are invited to attend. 7:30pm, 356 Kresge.

## ☐miscellaneous

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At noon we will begin with a worship service, sponsored by the Canterbury episcopal Ministry. Those who are interested are encouraged to bring their lunch so we can eat together following the service. 12pm, Cowell Health Center Conference Room.

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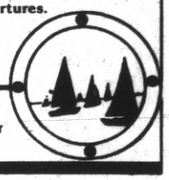

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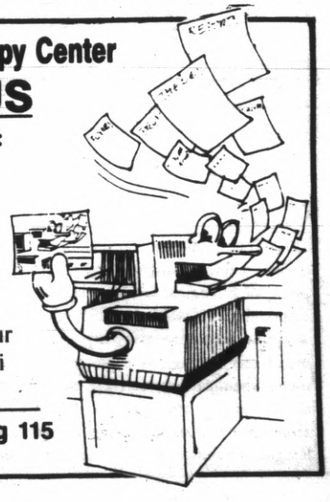

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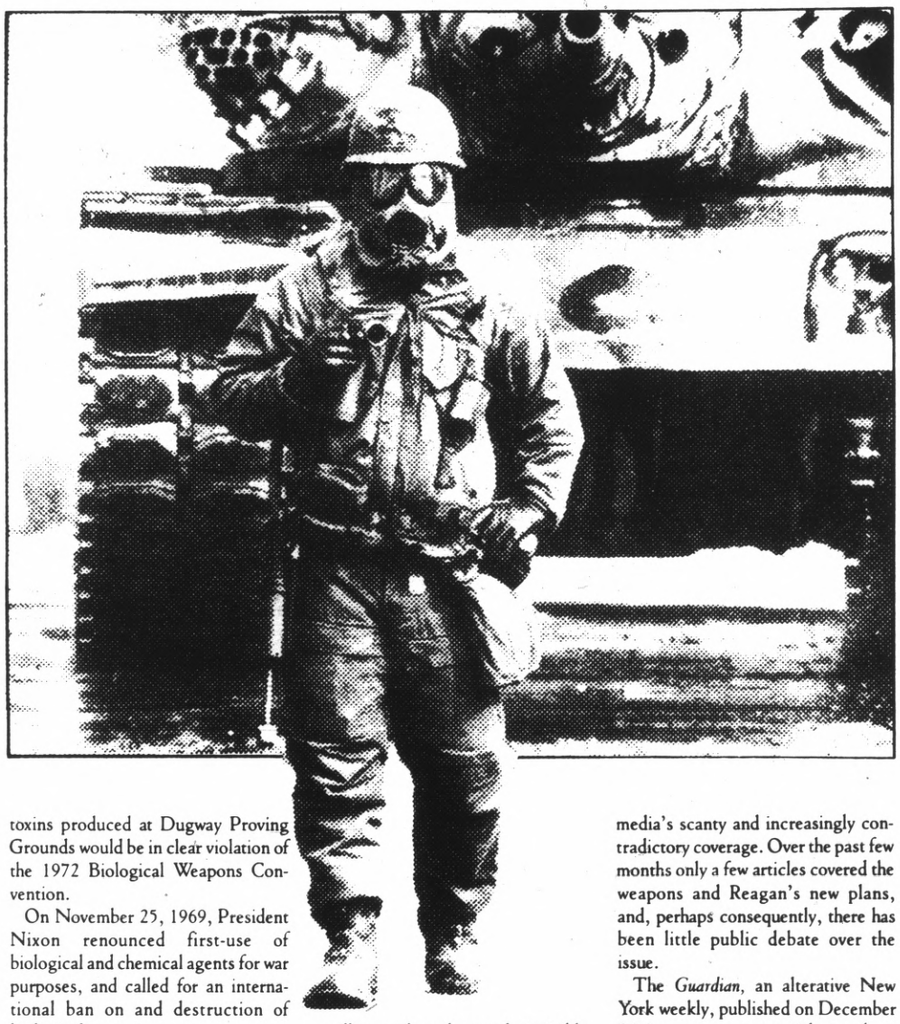
## US Chemical and Biological Weapons Development

# Poised to Poison

by Greg King



IF PRESIDENT REAGAN and his congressional allies have their way, chemical and biological weapons may soon become a regular feature of the already bloated US military arsenal. On December 6 last year the Senate Subcommittee on Military Construction provided the Army with a $1.4 million down payment to expand its planned $250 million biological weapons facility at Utah's Dugway Proving Ground. And soon this year a presidential commission will report to Congress on the feasibility and desirability of new breeds of chemical nerve gas weapons. Votes on both the chemical and biological weapons are scheduled for this year. By granting increased production and testing of these toxins, conservatives in Congress threaten to escalate yet another arms race. And while the nation's lawmakers debate the fate of these lethal weapons, the national media gives brief and sometimes innocuous attention to the issue, leaving the public relatively uninformed.

Reagan administration support for chemical biological weapons was evident during his first term when Vice President George Bush broke two tied votes in the Senate on the production of new chemical weapons; both times he approved the allocations. Yet on April 4, 1984 Reagan proposed a draft treaty—introduced in Geneva by Bush—to ban chemical weapons, while stipulating that the United States must retain chemical weapon stockpiles to deter the Russians. Critics of the administration saw this move as a ploy to swing the House vote, the following May, in favor of new chemical weapons production. The "ploy" was unsuccessful, but it seems the Reagan administration did rejuvenate what was until 1981 a dying weapons program in the United States.

In 1925, in response to poison gases used during World War I that killed 100,000 people and injured one million, the international political community established the Geneva Protocol, outlawing first-use of chemical and biological weapons. The United States did not ratify the protocol until 1975. Also in 1975, the United States ratified the Biological Weapons Convention, established in 1972. The convention prohibits the development, production and stockpiling of biological weapons but exempts chemical weapons. (Biological weapons are those involving living organisms and toxins produced by them; chemical weapons are incendiary mixtures, smokes, irritants, or asphyxiating gasses.) Critics of the Reagan administration say that new toxins produced at Dugway Proving Grounds would be in clear violation of the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention.

On November 25, 1969, President Nixon renounced first-use of biological and chemical agents for war purposes, and called for an international ban on and destruction of biological weapons.

Last year the Reagan administration asked Congress for $1.126 billion in chemical warfare "deterrence" programs, which were broken into three categories: "retaliatory capabilities," which include new nerve gas bombs and artillery shells; destruction of "obsolete" chemical weapons; and "protective measures," a vague term still undefined by the administration.

The primary weapon system that the Reagan administration is currently bargaining for is called "Bigeye," an air-delivered gravitational bomb with binary elements that, when combined, produce VX, a colorless, odorless nerve gas that is highly fatal. (Binary explosives are those carrying two chemicals which combine upon launch to form a lethal gas.) Production of Bigeye will commence if, on October 1 this year, President Reagan declares that binary weapons are needed to protect the "national interest," as is expected.

VX is perhaps the most toxic chemical weapon currently stockpiled by the US. Two to 10 milligrams on the skin will kill an adult; this amount is small enough to be nearly invisible. VX is 2000 times more toxic when administered through skin contact than is mustard gas, and about 300 times as toxic when inhaled. A gas mask is futile in combating VX; the expense of protecting military personnel is nearly prohibitive, and protecting a civilian population would be impossible.

*Science Journal* in London reports that VX symptoms include excessive drooling, sweating, nausea, vomiting, cramps, involuntary defecation or urination, twitching, jerking, staggering, headache, drowse coma, convulsions, and asphyxia. VX currently comprises over 25 percent of the US chemical weapon stockpiles. According to Bruce Larkin, UCSC politics professor and expert on military affairs, the Reagan administration plans to equip cruise missiles with spray nozzles, enabling each missile to distribute 100 pounds of VX over a wide terrain.

ADDING TO THE MOmentum of the chemical and biological weapons race is the national media's scanty and increasingly contradictory coverage. Over the past few months only a few articles covered the weapons and Reagan's new plans, and, perhaps consequently, there has been little public debate over the issue.

The *Guardian*, an alterative New York weekly, published on December 26 its most recent article on these weapons. In addition to reporting the Dugway allocations, the article also quoted documents obtained through the Freedom of Information Act that said the Army in 1964 and 1965 used suitcase-concealed sprayers to contaminate the National Airport and a Greyhound bus station in Washington DC, in order to determine the effects of *bacillus subtilis*, a biological toxin.

On December 4, the New York *Times* reported these Army experiments in a four-column-inch article and referred to the bacteria as "harmless." The *Guardian*, however, said that reports as early as 1958 showed the bacillus to be involved in food poisoning and "other clinical infections."

The press has also given conflicting information on the degree of training and preparedness in chemical and biological weapons by US and Soviet forces. On October 6 last year a New York *Times* headline proclaimed that preparedness for chemical warfare is "a weak area for NATO allies," and the article attributed to "officers and diplomats" the contention that "the greatest imbalance between American and Soviet forces in Western Europe is in chemical warfare."

The article, written by New York *Times* military analyst Drew Middleton, implied that the United States is lacking in the chemical weapons department, saying that the Soviet Union has 80,000 men trained in chemical warfare "protection," compared to only 8500 in the United States. Yet on May 20, 1984, *Times* reporter Richard Halloran wrote that, "Today, [US] soldiers wear protective uniforms and carry gas masks for every day training."

The Middleton piece contends that the current US stockpile of chemical munitions is "too small to form a credible deterrent," yet on April 30 last year the *Times* itself estimated that the amount of "usable lethal chemicals" stockpiled in the United States is between 30,000 and 40,000 tons, enough for more than a few thousand bombs. Other estimates place this figure at over 100,000 tons. (The Soviet Union claims US chemical weapon stockpiles exceed 150,000 tons.)

And Middleton's contention that the new weapons' requests are due to the current inadequate and defective US stockpile was contradicted by another *Times* writer, columnist Anthony Lewis. Lewis reported on August 7, 1984 that "experts examining the [chemical weapon] stock have found no significant troubles and said the shells will probably be usable at least until the later 1990s." Last April, Theodore S. Gold, head of chemical warfare programs in the Defense Department, said the current US stockpile of chemical weapons "appears to be in good shape today."

Finally, Middleton's statement that the chemicals for binary weapons are, before being mixed, "no more toxic than normal commercial insecticides," has been refuted by numerous sources. The Government Accounting Office reported last year that the separate components of binary weapons are "dangerous substances" and that one of them alone is "extremely toxic..."

These articles serve to confuse rather than inform the public, and are representative of the national press coverage on chemical and biological weapons. This media discrepancy, combined with the Reagan administration's persistent attempts to acquire new chemical and biological weapon systems, may prove to be the undoing of arms control advocates. With various crucial votes on these systems approaching in the House and Senate, two facts are most salient: The media and the president have historically been successful in swaying public opinion, and public opinion (or lack thereof) has historically been successful in swaying Congress.

*Radical Right Farmers*

# Pitchfork Diplomacy

by **Bruce Maxwell**

THEY HAVE MANY names. Some are ominous, like the Farmers Liberation Army. Others have an old-timey ring, like the Christian-Patriots Defense League. Still others are innocent-sounding—like the National Agricultural Press Association, publisher of the *Primrose and Cattleman's Gazette*—or downright misleading, like the new Populist Party.

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**Many right-wing extremists believe the Holocaust never occurred.**

All these organizations share a distinct and radical view of the world, and all are growing vigorously in the Midwest, particularly among farmers. And though they can claim, together, only a few thousand adherents, they have drawn the attention of law enforcement authorities throughout the nation because of their sometimes violent tactics, and their practice of preaching hatred towards Jews and other minorities.

Mainstream citizens tend to brush these people off as crazy extremists, but they are more widespread than people realize. They do not belong to any single organization nor are they in any way connected with the "New Right." Indeed, they often vilify Ronald Reagan as the tool of a conspiracy that includes bankers, Jews and "one worlders." All are far to the right of the John Birch Society. In fact, many are former Birchers who quit, or were expelled from, that organization because of their extreme views.

Farmers are attracted to these groups by a need to find a reason for their own troubles. High interest rates, low crop prices and other factors are driving thousands into bankruptcy—particularly in the Midwest, where five to ten percent of all farmers are expected to lose their land in the coming year, a pattern government officials predict will continue unless drastic measures are taken.

This has caused tremendous desperation, leaving rural Americans more receptive to claims by right wing extremists that powerful financial interests, the government, and others are conspiring to force farmers off their land so that corporations can take over. "People of good, sound logic, under the distress of losing their farm, will turn to that kind of radicalism," says Cy Carpenter, president of the National Farmers' Union. Many farmers also feel the government has abandoned them. Instead of offering farmers help, President Reagan has proposed massive cuts in many federal farm programs.

Michigan state party chairperson of the Populist Party says," The family farm is on its way out, and we're the only party that stands for the family farm." Populist party leaders say they want to make America number one and return the nation to the ideals of Thomas Jefferson and George Washington. But the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith and the Southern Poverty Law Center, two civil-rights groups in the US, say the party is run by former Ku Klux Klan members and Nazi sympathizers.

Social changes of the last two decades have also contributed to growth of right-wing extremism in rural America, where many feel threatened by changes in the traditional family, by feminism, the acceptance of abortion, and the increasing lack of respect for governmental institutions. Rather than seeing such changes as part of natural social evolution, extremists prefer to point to a powerful conspiracy—which gives them a target they can fight.

Although the beliefs and conspiracy theories of right-wing extremists take many forms, there are several common targets. These include:

Opposition to taxes. Most right-wing extremists believe the federal income tax is unconstitutional, although it was authorized in 1913 by the 16th amendment to the US Constitution.

Hatred of minority groups, particularly Jews. A belief that the holocaust of World War II never occurred is spreading in extreme right-wing circles.

Opposition to the Federal Reserve banking system.

A belief that the county sheriff is the only legitimate law enforcement official.

Opposition to the Trilateral Commission and the Council on Foreign Relations as part of a conspiracy to create a "one-world" government.

One weapon is pervasive on the extreme right—the Bible. But it, too, is used in a special way—for example, by the popular "Identity" religion, which holds that white Anglo-Saxons, not Jews, are God's "chosen people" and that the white race is inherently superior.

While most far-right activists are

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content to express their views by attending meetings, writing elected representatives and distributing pamphlets, hundreds, perhaps thousands, have received paramilitary and survivalist training at camps and conferences.

For example, there is the story of Arthur L. Kirk of Cairo, Nebraska. Last fall, sheriff's deputies called on Kirk, 49, to serve legal papers filed against him by a local bank. Kirk pulled a gun. Authorities responded by sending a state police SWAT Team to surround his farmhouse. When Kirk emerged from his back door, they told him to "freeze." He responded by firing an automatic rifle while running toward a fortified windmill stocked with another automatic rifle, a shot gun and a haversack full of ammunition. Officers returned the fire, killing Kirk.

Although they are still investigating, authorities have tied Kirk to two far right organizations—the Posse Comitatus and the National Agricultural Press Association.

Another example is Richard Snell, 54, of Muse, Oklahoma, who shot to death Arkansas State Trooper Louis Bryant when Bryant stopped him for a routine traffic violaion near De-Queen, Arkansas last June.

Snell is now serving a life sentence. He received paramilitary training at a camp run by "The Covenant, The Sword and The Arm of The Lord," a survivalist group that operates a 224-acre communal settlement in Missouri near the Arkansas border. This group believes an economic collapse is approaching, to be followed by famine, rioting and war—so it prepares by stocking weapons, food, and survival gear and by training in a mock village called Silhouette City.

**Most of these extremists also believe the federal income tax is unconstitutional**

Perhaps the best known paramilitary training group is the Posse Comitatus—Latin for "power of the county"—which today has its greatest strength in the Midwest and the Pacific Northwest. The Posse drew national attention almost a year ago when member Gordon Kahl, 63—a farmer and tax protestor—killed two federal marshals attempting to arrest him on a probation violation near Medina, North Dakota. Kahl was himself later killed in another shootout in Arkansas, which also cost a sheriff his life.

The Populist party's current national chairperson, Bill Baker, and Maureen Salaman, who ran for vice-president on the Populist slate, have spoken at major gatherings of the Christian-Patriots Defense League, the nation's strongest paramilitary organization. The League believes a communist takeover of the US is imminent, and advises members to stockpile weapons, ammunition, food and other survival gear in preparation for a revolution.

Last November, the party's presidential candidate appeared on the ballot in 14 states and garnered just over 66,000 votes—a relatively small number, but an impressive start for a party that is only about 10 months old.

It's impossible to determine how many individuals are involved in these efforts since so many of the organizations are highly secretive. Many of the hundreds of "groups" are no more than one person with access to a copy machine and a post office box. But observers do say the extreme right has been growing in the Midwest. Many of the best known extremist groups have appeared only in the last decade, and others only in the last year.

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## Birthing Options in S.C.

# New Lives and Midwives

by Victoria Seggerman

PREGNANT WOMEN IN Santa Cruz have many options to choose from involving the birth of their children. In facing this major turning point in their lives they must decide where to have their children and under whose supervision to give birth. For the actual birth they can use standard hospital procedures care, hospital birthing rooms, or homebirth. To supervise and assist them, they can choose between obstetricians, licensed nurse midwives and lay midwives. Each decision involves the issues of autonomy, intimacy, safety and legality.

Local hospitals have responded to the needs of women seeking alternative birth care by installing "birthing rooms" designed to be as much like a home environment as possible while still providing the birthing mother with immediate access to advanced technological tools in case complications arise.

While many women take advantage of these facilities, others prefer to give birth in their own homes. Shoshone Sien, who delivered her baby at home, said, "There's no way that a place I've never been before could be as comfortable as my own home where I am totally relaxed and familiar with the environment." She related the story of her home birth, after which she was transported to the hospital for postnatal complications. "I felt comfortable, supported and safe throughout the birth; when I got to the hospital I was suddenly in a situation where the doctor was making all the decisions for me. I felt violated by having the control of the situation taken away from me." Her midwife explained that even in planned hospital births women may have their birth process disturbed by such things as shift changes and abrupt decisions made by hospital staff. Also, certified nurse midwife Kate Bowland, who has been working in the area for 13 years, noted that about 90 percent of homebirths proceed smoothly with no hospital transports.

Local midwife Mary Offerman stressed that the mother should give birth wherever she feels most comfortable, whether that be at home or at the hospital. "The safest place for the baby," she said, "is where the mother is most at ease because the health and well-being of the baby is totally dependent on that of the mother." At all three county hospitals a woman may have her midwife or friends assist in the birthing room, but the baby must be delivered by a staff obstetrician.

According to local midwife Karen Ehrlich, the resurgence of midwifery in Santa Cruz began in 1970 and a group of local midwives responded to the need for homebirth services by opening the Santa Cruz Birth Center in 1971. The Birth Center evolved into a collective of 12 midwives, until it closed in 1975 for a combination of personal, political, and legal reasons. Ehrlich asserts that home birth is no longer the domain of the counterculture, and that "many different types of people are now choosing to have their children at home." Kate Bowland said that over those years there have been an average of close to 200 homebirths annually. This is in contrast to the hospital birth rate which has risen from 1990 in 1973 to 3338 in 1983.

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Midwife Mary Offerman (L), her son Paul and Kate Bowland, CNM.

Bowland sees the role of the midwife as being "a guide, a helper and a teacher... I am familiar with every aspect of normal birth. I can tell the mother what is normal and I can respond with confidence to complications." Offerman added that "as a midwife, I educate a woman to know what's going on in her body and rely on her to direct the birth. I assist her in taking responsibility for her own birth."

Midwife Jane Smith (not her real name) commented that "midwives often take on the role of friend, educator and counselor." She added that "in any family the birth of a new baby is a major turning point involving intense emotions. I strive to bring clarity and openness to everyone involved in the birth and to facilitate communication that clears the way for the birth to go as smoothly as possible."

As well as delivering the baby, midwives spend about 20 to 40 hours with their clients in pre-natal exams, which include blood tests, checking fetal size and position and giving advice on nutrition and exercise. "Pre-natals," said Smith, "are an integral part of midwifery; they help the expectant mother to prepare for birth both physically and emotionally."

There are currently between ten to twenty midwives practicing in Santa Cruz County along with six to nine licensed nurse-midwives. There are also many more qualified midwives who are not currently doing births. Unlike lay-midwives, nurse-midwives have been certified by the state. To become certified they must complete three to four years of training as a registered nurse or a physician's assistant and one to three years training as a midwife at one of California's three midwifery schools.

Nurse midwives must, by law, have a doctor back-up on call for each birth. According to nurse-midwife Kate Bowland, certified midwives have extensive medical training, are permitted to accept some insurance patients and are able to legally use lifesaving tools in the home. They also have an established working relationship with the doctor if the mother must be transported to the hospital for delivery.

Lay midwives choose to remain uncertified for both practical and political reasons. Karen Ehrlich, who has been practicing here for over ten years said, "Certification isn't efficient when you're already a skilled midwife. It requires that you spend a lot of time studying things that you will never use and often requires midwives to leave their homes and communities."

Both Ehrlich and Smith assert that it is entirely possible to be a highly trained midwife without being certified. "Lay midwives," said Smith, "have our own set of standards. We have more autonomy because we are not regulated by the medical profession." Ehrlich noted also that "medical training teaches women to be subordinate, to think analytically, and to assume sickness rather than assuming wellness." She continued, "There are many ways in which midwifery is not a medical skill; it is a time-honored intuitive art." Mary Offerman, also a lay midwife, chooses to reamain uncertified "because as a woman I don't want to hand control of birth over to the male medical establishment; I don't want to go by their rules." She noted that 90 percent of obstetricians are male.

While retaining their autonomy, lay midwives also take legal risks. Every time a birthing mother is transported to the hospital, her lay midwife can be charged with practicing medicine without a license. Although charges have never been brought by Santa Cruz hospital personnel, in 1974 Kate Bowland (then uncertified) and two other midwives were arrested under that charge at a home in the county. The arrest arose from a set-up staged by undercover agents of the State Board of Consumer Affairs who posed as a couple in need of midwifery services. The ensuing trial lasted two years and went to the State Supreme Court. The midwives contested the law which states, in part that "any person who diagnoses, treats, operates for, or prescribes for any ailment, disorder, injury or other mental or physical condition without having at the time of so doing a valid, unrevoked certificate...is guilty of a misdemeanor."

The midwives challenged several aspects of the law including the wording, holding that the phrase "any other mental or physical condition" was unconstitutionally vague. As Karen Ehrlich wrote, "the wording...when taken literally, can sweep into non-disease areas, thus constituting an invasion of privacy." She contends that by keeping this loophole in the law the state gives itself the option to prosecute for virtually any unlicensed practice of health care or advice.

While the charges against the midwives were eventually dropped, the law remains unchanged. Nurse midwifery, however, was legalized in California in 1974 under separate legislation. Nurse midwives make their practice legal by obtaining training and certification; lay midwives choose to practice outside of the law. As Jane Smith stated, "As lay midwives we are taking risks to live what we believe in. Women should have the right to make their personal choices about how to birth; it shouldn't be regulated by such a distant structure as the AMA (American Medical Association)."

Although the AMA is a powerful lobby, the matter of decriminalizing midwifery is ultimately under the jurisdiction of the state legislature. Linda McCready of the State Board of Medical Quality Assurance notes that "In the last decade about seven bills proposing the legalization of lay midwifery have come before the legislature and none has made it past the first committee."

While Dr. Joan Hodgeman of the California Medical Association says that lay midwifery remains illegal to protect the public from incompetent practitioners, Mary Offerman views the issue of licensing in a broader political context. "Midwifery," she explained, "teaches women to take control over their own health care. It challenges the status quo in which the power is held by a male power elite. If women learn that they can take care of their own health they learn that they can take control in other aspects of their lives. For people, especially women, to exert this kind of courage and responsibility challenges the power structure of our whole society."

> As a midwife, I educate a woman to know what's going on in her body and rely on her to direct the birth. I assist her in taking responsibility for her own birth.
>
> —Mary Offerman, Midwife

**OPINION**

*The Abortion Struggle*

# Subtle Sanction

Drawing by MELISSA SIKES

**by Anna Slavicek and Chris Catchpool**

WOMEN'S BIOLOGY has long been used to justify their oppression in many forms and degrees. As the most obvious and basic characteristic which distinguishes women from men, their reproductive capacities have provided the foundation for individual and institutional discrimination against women. January 22 marked the twelfth anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark decision legalizing a woman's right to an abortion, the most crucial step towards full reproductive control. Yet, today, the movement to deny a woman this fundamental right has never been so virulent. Alarmingly, 1984 was a year of unprecedented bombings and arson attacks on abortion facilities.

Records indicate that in the last year bombings increased seven-fold up from four in 1983 to 30 in 1984. This year alone, there have already been half a dozen attacks. Far from provoking a strong and immediate denunciation from the White House, the rash of attacks has been given virtual approval by the Reagan administration's belated and notably weak response.

On January 3, Reagan issued his first statement in two years concerning the staggering escalation of abortion clinic bombings. His statement, while condemning the bombings as "violent anarchist activities," completely downplayed the seriousness of the increase in attacks. The labeling of the violence as simply anarchistic belies the facts which indicate a nationwide conspiracy behind the bombings.

So far one organization—the self-proclaimed "Army of God"—has taken responsibility for 25 of the clinic attacks. Yet, law enforcement officials state that they believe the Army of God consists solely of three men, all now in prison. They attribute other individuals' identification with the group to a mere appropriation of the name "Army of God."

However, there is reason to believe that a nationwide organization does indeed exist. On September 7, two separate Houston clinics were bombed; two clinics in San Diego and Atlanta were both attacked on September 13; in Maryland two clinics were hit 12 minutes apart on November 19; and in Pensacola, Florida, three clinics were bombed minutes apart on Christmas day. According to Kaye Wiggins, who was an accessory in the Pensacola explosion, the bombings were a "gift to Jesus on his birthday." The fact that all those apprehended in connection with the bombings have issued statements of solidarity with each other is also significant.

Anti-abortion activists have stepped up other harassment procedures as well. Anti-abortionists now go so far as to follow clinic operators and patients to their homes where pickets are set up with signs reading "Hitler would be proud of you." Another destructive method employed by anti-choice activists involves faking abortion appointments and, once inside, spilling red paint, symbolizing blood, on clinic facilities.

Significantly, harassment has occurred simultaneously in various parts of the country. Clinic operators claim that not only is there a pattern to the methods of intimidation used, but the same individuals involved in one action later turn up elsewhere at another protest. So far, bombings and arson attacks have occurred in Washington DC, Delaware, Florida, Virginia, Maryland, Oregon, Washington state, Georgia, Texas, Indiana, and California. Susan Hill, executive director of the National Women's Health Organization, has said that, "People arrested at our Orlando facility have been arrested in other parts of the country."

Yet, the State Department has declined to authorize an all out nationwide investigation in what is clearly a nationwide problem. The FBI has said it can not enter full force into the investigation because "there is no evidence of a conspiracy extending across state lines." (The investigation is currently handled by the Treasury's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms [BATF]).

"What we have," said John M. Walker, assistant secretary of the treasury for enforcement and operations, are "isolated people who are passionately anti-abortion who are resorting to violence. If there were a national conspiracy we'd say, hey, we need help." But, so far, in only seven of the 30 recent cases, have authorities made an arrest or won a conviction.

Part of the rationale for keeping the FBI from the center of investigations has been the convenient rewording of the FBI's own definition of terrorism. In the past "terrorism" meant "the unlawful use of force or violence against persons or property to intimidate or coerce a government, a civilian population, or any segment thereof in furtherance of political or social objectives." There is no question that clinic bombings would fall squarely within this definition. However, the FBI recently altered the wording of "terrorism" as a violent act "committed in furtherance of an attack on the government," carried out "by activities of a definable group."

The BATF continues to maintain that the Army of God does not exist. And FBI director William H. Webster has justified the FBI's distance from the investigation by contending that the bombings are not an "attack on government."

Keeping the FBI at arm's length from the investigation has clearly indicated a reluctance on the part of the authorities to stop the violence against abortion clinics. Bowing to public indignation at his silence, Reagan recently attempted to put on a concerned face. "As president of the United States," Reagan said, "I will do all in my power to assure that the guilty are brought to justice." However, deputy White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said that Reagan is not calling for a change in the inquiry's methods or procedures.

Indeed, it is clear from the president's slow and inadequate response to the recent violence—and his open anti-abortion position—that although he may publicly denounce the bombings, his goals are politically consistent with those of the militant anti-abortionists.

ON THE ANNIVERSARY of *Roe vs. Wade* ruling legalizing abortion, one of the largest anti-abortion marches in the capital's history numbering some 71,000 people descended upon Washington, filling 15 city blocks. The marchers called for implementation of the "Paramount Human Life Amendment with no compromises." The proposed amendment would prohibit abortion in *all* cases, even if the mother's life were at stake, or if she were a victim of rape or incest.

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Ronald Reagan made history on this day by becoming the first president in the 12 year history of the "March for Life" to publicly address the participants in the annual rally. "I feel a great sense of solidarity with you," Reagan said, "I want you to know I feel these days as never before, the momentum is with us."

The year 1984 was a year of significant gains for anti-abortion forces. In October, Congress limited Medicaid funding of abortions solely to women

whose lives are threatened by their pregnancies. Even a senate move to include funding for unwanted pregnancies due to incest or rape was easily defeated. Only 14 states continue to fund medicaid abortions. Of those, six states are expected to consider proposals which would entirely ban state funding for abortions. California is among them.

Reagan has also implemented his program to thwart access to abortion on the international front. Making good on a September threat against private international family planning agencies that perform or promote abortions, the Reagan administration has withdrawn the $17 million it had annually contributed to the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). This amount represents a 30 percent reduction in the IPPF's annual budget.

Current anti-choice efforts to influence Congress have seized upon the distribution of a graphic and misleading film about the abortion of a 12-week old fetus, called *The Silent Scream*. The film purports to show the fetus screaming in pain as it is absorbed by a suction instrument—pain which Dr. Edwin C. Myer—chairperson of Pediatric Neurology at the medical college of Virginia in Richmond—asserts is impossible for the fetus to feel. Myer said, "To make a statement that the fetus feels pain is a totally ridiculous statement. Pain implies cognition. There is no brain to recieve the information."

This sensationalist move to sway Congress by employing pseudo-scientific moralizing is firmly backed by the president. On Tuesday January 22, Reagan expressed his support for the newest ploy of the anti-choice campaign by asserting, "If every member of Congress could see that film they would move quickly to end the tragedy of abortion."

But, perhaps most ominous is the pending turnover in the Supreme Court which Reagan will undoubtedly influence. The *Roe vs. Wade* case which legalized abortion was a 7 to 2 decision. Reagan has stated that given the chance at judicial appointment he will "work for the appointment of judges at all levels of the judiciary who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of innocent human life." Since five of the current justices are 75 or older Reagan will most surely move to eliminate the pro-choice majority.

**Due to persistent intimidation, many doctors will no longer perform abortions for fear of retaliation against their person or practices.**

IN VIEW OF THIS GROWing movement to severely limit or even recriminalize abortion, it is apparent that the bombings have played an integral if alarming role. Far from being skewed individuals who are resorting to violence out of frustration, the perpetrators of the violence are instead encouraged by a grass roots anti-abortion movement and an official reaction which are both vehemently anti-choice. Linda Taggert, a victim of recent harassment, summed up the Florida Christmas day bombings: "Two young men are going to spend most of their adult lives in prison while the people who put them up to it are free to drop their poison in some other young mind."

A conservative estimate places the number of clinics forced to shut down because of the attacks at close to 30. Cost of damages run into the millions. Already short of funding, this represents a severe blow to the continued existence of the clinics and to quality health care for women across the country. Due to persistent intimidation, many doctors now will no longer perform abortions for fear of retaliation against their person and practices. Several clinics have even lost their leases and insurance after attacks by anti-abortionists.

The collusion of forces which attempt to deny women their constitutional right to an abortion has forced the women's movement into a defensive posture. However, the women's movement is fighting back, for there is too much to lose should the limited gains of the '70s be rolled back. A pro-choice coalition of eight national groups has formed to fight clinic violence, both legally and physically.

Legalized abortion is currently enjoyed only by those women who can afford it. Nevertheless the legal precedent is an important gain which can be extended to reinclude federal funding for those women for whom the legal right, without practical access, means nothing.

Should legalized abortion be repealed altogether we probably would see a resurgence of staggering numbers of maternal deaths due to illegal and unsafe abortions. Prior to the 1973 ruling illegal abortions were the leading cause of maternal death and mutilation. The bulk of the victims were overwhelmingly poor women and women of color. In New York during the 1960s 94 percent of deaths due to unsafe abortions occurred among Black and Puerto Rican women.

Today, the anti-choice assault, fueled by the Reagan administration's blatantly misogynistic policies is a threat to all women, especially women of color. The attempt to recall abortion rights intensifies the racism already present in the existing reproductive rights. Clearly, minority women have the fewest resources to fully exercise their legal right to abortion and are the first victims of any attack on women's rights in general.

The largely white women's movement is going to have to come to grips with the fragility of what was once thought of as a firmly established right. The backwards slide of abortion rights can only be stopped by a unified regrouping of the women's movement to include all women. Unless the women's movement can organize a strong counter-attack, the history of this period may well be dictated by the bombers.


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# WOMEN'S *clips*

## Playing Doctor

A San Mateo man who posed as a doctor and tricked a woman from Germany into having sexual intercourse with him was absolved of any charges of sexual crimes by a state appellate court last Friday. Daniel Boro, falsely claiming to be "Dr. Stevens" from Peninsula Hospital, told the woman that her blood test indicated a fatal disease. He then allegedly presented her with two options to save her life—either she partake in "painful surgery" requiring $9000 and six weeks in the hospital, or have sexual intercourse with an "anonymous" donor who had been injected with a curative serum, and pay him $4500, with a $1000 down payment.

The woman testified in court that she consented to the latter option because she believed her life depended on it. However, to bring a rape charge against Boro would require evidence that she was misled over the actual sex act—not the reason for it, according to the appellate court. California law only recognizes rape in cases where the woman is "unconscious of the nature of the [physical] act"—and thus, psychological-type coercion does not warrant a rape charge.

Boro is currently facing charges of attempted grand theft and burglary for the entire scam.

## Gay? Go Away!

A bill geared towards ending discrimination of the basis of sexual preference was recently shot down by the residents of Houston, Texas in a city-wide referendum. The proposition, which would have made any such discrimination illegal, encountered heavy opposition from the Houston Chamber of Commerce, several doctors' and lawyers' organizations, some big-time bankers, and some Fortune 500 companies, who claimed the law would have been bad for business. The head of an anti-referendum committee formed by the Chamber of Commerce said the measure "could well be detrimental to the economic future of Houston."

Less than 50 US cities have adopted anti-gay and lesbian discrimination measures of any form. "I am sorry, as a Texan," said gay Texas-born San Francisco Supervisor Harry Britt, "that Houston is having such a hard time dealing with the fact that there are lesbians and gay men."

—*Her Say*

## A Farewell to Legs

The British Broadcasting Corporation, one of Great Britain's two state-owned TV channels, will no longer televise beauty contests, on the grounds that they are "an anachronism" and verge "on the offensive." The final pageant to be televised was Miss Great Britain 1985, on January 11. Michael Grade, the channel's chief executive, announced that after the January pageant, he will ban all beauty contests, saying the pageants don't warrant national air time.

—*Her Say*

## Quote of the Week

*I want to do it because I want to do it. Women must try to do things as men have tried. When they fail, their failure must be but a challenge to others.*

—Amelia Earhart, 1937
*Last Flight*

## Roll the Presses

Women's media is not dying. In fact, it is reviving. Case in point is the resurgence of *Sojourner*, a nationally circulated women's newspaper based in Cambridge, Massachusetts. *Sojourner* was forced to suspend publication in December "for an unspecified amount or time" due to financial straits and staff burn-out. Since the shut-down, community and women's groups in the Boston area raised $35,000 of the $40,000 necessary to resume publication.

According to Leah Binder of *Sojourner*, the staff is "very excited" that the response from the community is so supportive. "There has been an increase in subscriptions and well-attended fundraisers to help us get out of this slump," she said.

Previously the paper, with a national circulation of 45,000, had only one paid staff member. Now, Binder explained, enough money will be available to provide for four full-time positions and at least one part-time one. The increased budget will also provide health benefits for the paid staff.

The paper, which has published women's news and feminist analysis of issues since 1974, will resume publication in late February to send out its March "comeback" issue.

## Tell It to the Boss

A federal appeals court ruled Friday that employers are responsible, under federal anti-discrimination law, for sexual harassment by any of their supervising employees, even if the employer is unaware of allegations. To rule otherwise, the court said, would "open the door" to circumvention of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 "by looking the other way."

Although the ruling applies only in Washington, DC, the court there is considered a leading interpreter of federal statutes. Phillip A. Lacovara, a Washington lawyer, said the ruling will "dramatically increase the stakes" in sexual harassment cases by making the employers responsible for violations by their employees.

Only an employer can act promptly to halt discriminatory practices and only an employer can provide reinstatement, back pay and other remedies to victims, declared Chief Justice Robinson, of the District of Columbia Federal Appeals Court. He added that the ruling would motivate employers to "take a more active role in warranting to each employee that he or she will enjoy an environment free from illegal sex discrimination."

US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission guidelines suggest that employers express strong disapproval of sexual harassment, prescribe penalties for violations, and inform employees of their right to raise complaints.

## The Children's Hour Revisited

A kindergarten teacher in Hampshire County, West Virginia was forced to resign because of her "reputation" in the community "for being a lesbian," according to *Off Our Backs*. Linda Conway reportedly resigned under pressure after the school superintendent told her she had to wear a dress at least twice a week and that she could not drive to work nor be seen on the streets with her female roommate.

Conway, who has stated that she is *not* a lesbian, said, "People treated me as if I had some kind of disease that they would catch. . . .I'm really beginning to sympathize with gays."

Lawyers hired by the West Virginia Education Association filed a $1 million law suit against the school district seeking reinstatement, back pay and benefits. The suit seeks to invalidate Conway's resignation agreement, claiming she signed it under duress.

State attorney General Chauncey Browning had stated that Conway could be dismissed on the basis of "her reputation in the community." Because Conway resigned and was not fired, the case will challenge, albeit indirectly, the "reputation opinion" as a legitimate cause for dismissal. One of Conway's lawyers said that if the reputation clause is allowed to stand, all teachers could be forced to conform to arbitrary standards by their school boards and communities.

## *SC Film Festival*

# The Reel Thing

by Jason Roberts

ECLECTIC IS A WORD too often used to describe Santa Cruz—but it's also the word that best describes the area's cinematic tastes. That eclecticism is aptly reflected, and celebrated, during the Fourth Annual Santa Cruz Film Festival, running Thursday, January 31 through Sunday, February 10. As in previous years, the festival has a minor theme (four films are on India, including the opening night premiere of *Passage to India*), but the bulk of the offerings are as diverse as film history itself. From silent melodrama (Rudolph Valentino in *Son of the Sheik*) to the grittiest of modern documentary/*cinema verite* (*Seventeen*), 24 films—most of them making their Santa Cruz debut—will show to an expected crowd of 8,000-9,000, the festival's largest audience yet.

The festival may be bigger than its predecessors, but in the words of director John Sandidge, it's not necessarily better. "It's really impossible, when you think about it, to compare one year to the next," says Sandidge. "We're handling different movies and different guests. It's not 'better'...every year, it's just the best we can make it."

This year's "best" represents a turning point for the festival: screening sites have been expanded to include the Fox Theater in Watsonville, a new financial strategy has been instituted and a changing of the guard enacted. For the first time, corporate sponsors (mostly local businesses) are underwriting specific screenings, a practice that helps keep the price of individual admissions in the $3-$5 range. It's the last year of programmer R.D. Strickland's services, and the first year for Sandidge, who succeeds founding director Jim Scalsas. Sandidge's promotional background is in music, not film; his Snazzy Production staged the recent Santa Cruz stands of John Steward and Jesse Winchester.

Photo by FRANK MACAU

*Dollar a Day, Ten Cents a Dance* documents the role of Filipino immigrants in America in the '30s and '40s. Friday at the Fox Theatre in Watsonville.

With characteristic irreverence, Sandidge considers his job to be "an insane, untamable beast. You can't possibly be qualified for it unless you've already done it...being a student of film doesn't qualify you to deal with promotion and all the hassles. Being a *critic* of film doesn't qualify you for anything."

Unlike Cannes and other film festivals, Sandidge doesn't foresee the SCFF becoming an awards vehicle or "status" event. "Too often films are taken in deadly seriousness. I want to get people to take it easier, having fun, which is what film is really all about."

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The element of sheer entertainment is perhaps most evident in Saturday's tribute to the UCLA Radio, Television and Film Archives, entitled "A Night at the Movies 1932." Using sources culled from the UCLA files, film archivist Charles Hopkins has recreated an evening's entertainment as it might have been presented in July of 1932. Josef von Sternberg's campy *Blonde Venus* (with Marlene Dietrich as a self-sacrificing wife who turns to prostitution) is the main attraction, with a Betty Boop cartoon (*Any Rags*), a Paramount "all-star vaudeville" (*Hollywood On Parade*), and an edition of Hearst Metrotone News. Hopkins will introduce the program. Depression-era attire is optional yet encouraged for both the screening and the Vet's Hall festivities afterward.

Another screening attempts to evoke a more recent period of American history. *Secret Honor* is director Robert Altman's "fictional meditation" on the last days of the Nixon White House. The film, adapted from Donald Freed and Arnold M. Stones' stage play, has only one actor onscreen for all of its 90 minutes. Philip Baker Hall plays the beleagured president, soliliquizing on the seduction of power and his fall from honor. It's the latest of Altman's experiments in stage-to-celluloid transfer (following *Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean* and *Streamers*).

Also scheduled is a two-show tribute to Francois Truffaut, the acclaimed French director who died last year. *The Wild Child* is his innovative yet rarely-seen recounting of a true story, about a feral child's introduction to civilization. Even more obscure is *Mississippi Mermaid*, which casts Jean-Paul Belmondo and Catherine Deneuve as a South American plantation owner and his deceptive mail-order bride.

Banned in its homeland after the rise of Solidarity, the Polish epic *Fever* makes its Santa Cruz debut Sunday at Louden Nelson.

Documentaries, often relegated to the periphery of film festivals, are prominently featured on three of the four evenings. *Dollar a Day, Ten Cents a Dance* chronicles the Filipino immigration to America in the 1920s and '30s; primarily a local product, the half-hour film was written and produced by UCSC graduate Geoffrey Dunn, and directed by Mark Schwartz with Capitola businessperson George Ow, Jr. as executive producer. It's part of an evening of Asian-American documentaries at the Fox Theatre on Friday.

Other documentaries include the in-concert feature *The Gospel According to Al Green*, an anthology of Warren Miller's sports features, and *Seventeen*, a controversial work by Jeff Kreines and Joel DeMott. Originally developed for PBS' *Middletown* series, *Seventeen*'s candid, uncensored view of Black and white Midwest teens caused an uproar among the sponsors, and the network cancelled the broadcast.

Counterpointing the celluloid will be in-person appearances by a number of filmmakers and industry figures. Stuntpeople Dick Ziker and Buddy Joe Hooker (who inspired the Burt Reynolds film *Hooper*) will be on hand Friday to demonstrate some of the tricks of their trade; on Saturday, UCSC film professor Vivian Sobchack will moderate a free panel discussion of filmmakers.

Director Sandidge expects the festival to break even this year and make a plus column showing in 1986 and beyond; by film event standards, the SCFF is a successful institution-in-the-making.

Yet success doesn't mean that there won't be room for eclecticism, even when taken to the whimsical extreme. "Next year," says Sandidge, "I'm hoping Pia Zadora will be our guest of honor."

*For complete Santa Cruz Film Festival program listings and more information, call 429-3505 or 429-7663.*

*Sleaze Cinema*

# The Perils of Reviewing

by Marty Stevens

Photo by HOLGER LEUE

"Reviewer X" caught slinking out of local multi-plex movie house.

I REMEMBER MY FIRST MOvie breasts. As a young boy I lived on a military base where the government-subsidized movie house screened matinees for 25 cents, allowing a bored nine-year-old to kill an hour and a half for little more than the price of an ice cream sandwich. The marquee promised something called *Strange Affair*; in my naivete I assumed that "strange" was shorthand for monsters or laser pistols. Instead I was presented with a story about a London bobby named Strange, and, it being the late '60s, a parade of sordid doings involving controlled substances and a "go-go" dancer prone to slipping out of her blouse at the slightest provocation. I was fascinated.

I've had many experiences since that early cinematic shocker, some bad, but mostly good. Among the results is that it now strikes me as banal, at best, to decorate a movie with a series of breasts. *The Perils of Gwendoline in the Land of the Yik Yak*, the latest entry in the "two-fisted action" genre, trots out a phalanx of mammary glands like so many Christmas tree ornaments.

To say that the movie is a piece of offal does not go quite far enough. It certainly won't cleanse the shame I felt leaving the theater only to be mocked by the man-child at the concession counter: "Yo! Gooood movie, hah?" I wanted to show him my yellow legal pad and excuse myself by way of being there on official newspaper business. But that would only have made it look worse, wouldn't it?

The root of my mortification isn't just that *Perils* is a trashcan stinker of a movie—but that it's soft core porn, plain and simple. Once this has been established, the usual touchstones of film criticism (plot, character development, costumes, etc.) are useless. When the story is a skeleton on which to prop pseudo-humorous scenes of seduction and humiliation, it's really missing the point to complain about the *mise en scene*. About 20 minutes into the show I realized the heroine and her sidekick Beth kept encountering situations that inexplicably called for them to take off their blouses. These actions neither advanced nor hindered the storyline, but did produce the intended whoops from a trio of chowderheads in the audience who were enthralled with mammophilic glee.

The film stars Tawny Kitaen in the title role, and hunky Brent Huff as the male lead. The names should have tipped me off as to the film's scurrilous intent. You could transliterate Tawny Kitaen into Tanned Kitten, as in sex-kitten, and Brent Huff conjures up the sounds exhaled during carnal embrace. Kitaen is the offspring of Raquel Welch, and one has to wonder why Welch didn't steer her daughter towards a less unsavory vehicle. This Gwendoline makes Mom's fur bikini-clad debut in *One Million Years BC* look like Lady Macbeth. The nominal plot is a pale imitation of *Raiders of the Lost Ark*: beautiful white people upstaging non-whites and absconding with their treasures. The character and her precarious surroundings actually originated in a 1930s bondage and domination comic book that's even sleazier.

My notes from the viewing taper off halfway down the page after a few blunt sentence fragments about drooling Chinese white slavers and kinky leatherette Amazons. It became obvious that this thing was a depth charge, and I mean a low one. The only bright spot of the show was that it provoked a healthy round of boos at the conclusion—at least it caused some kind of reaction.

I'll state it plainly: *The Perils of Gwendolyn* has no value whatsoever outside of a study of creeping degeneracy in modern film.

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SATURDAY FEB. 2
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2:30 Mississippi Mermaid
4:30 Claymation
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SATURDAY FEB. 2
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*Slime Cinema*

# Monster Mishmash

Illustration by JERRY DOLEZAL

by **Kristen Prestridge**

CONTRARY TO THE movie's advertising blitz, Ghoulies are not really nasty, malformed midgets that crawl up through your toilet bowl to "get you in the end." Although the opening shot of *Ghoulies* looks surprisingly like a semi-devoured derriere, it's only a close-up of a hairy, slimy, anal-expulsive muppet creature created by John Beuchler to "star" in this vapid snippet of low-budget entertainment. Unlike Gremlins, Ghoulies will not be adorning Underoos, cereal, or even stickers—because they are devoid of the too-cute personality needed to win the adoration of the Cabbage Patch generation.

The first thing a Ghoulie does is pop through the heaving breast of a beautiful woman as she rises in protest at a black mass, where a satanic priest (complete with chartreuse eyes and a ram's horn headdress) is about to sacrifice her child. This priest Malcolm (Michael Des Barres) is the Mr. French of the diabolical cloth: the Ghoulies are his charges, and as such he instructs them telepathically to erupt and devour. The camera backs off just as gnashing teeth are about to make contact with flesh, ruining director Luca Bercovici's chance to make a gross and steamy spoof out of a harmless kiddie movie.

Luckily for the baby, one of the worshippers attending this unholy ceremony has an inexplicable desire to be a good samaritan, and save the kid. When we again meet this would-be burnt offering, he's Jonathan (Peter Liapis) college student who has inherited a charming but run-down old mansion.

Jonathan's curiosity is aroused by the discovery of numerous volumes on black magic and a large pentagram, undoubtedly left by his parents on the cellar floor. After the climax of a raucous, drunken housewarming bash, the party guests suggest games they could play: "Hide and seek? Trivial Pursuit? Charades? Strip Poker?" None of these suit the discerning taste of the host, who decides they'll play Ritual instead. Dressed in a flowing gown, he recites some hokey mumbo-jumbo and fails to produce anything. A nifty film technique is magically introduced when the voice of a narrator interjects, in the best *Waltons* tone, to assure us that nothing has happened.

An entirely too lengthy amount of time passes before the gang decides to go upstairs, so that finally a Ghoulie can appear. What a disappointment! Not a single cute trick, ferocious antic or loveable growl.

Jonathan falls into a sweat and the intelligent viewer knows that he's in a quasi-religious fervor. Sure enough, his eyes light up with a greenish phosphorescence and—voila!—he has the "power." Jonathan is wildly successful at turning seemingly innocuous puffs of dry ice into Ghoulies, righteously commanding them to be obedient and remain invisible except to him. Mister Goodwrench has more depth and menace than these weary dolls from the land of make-pretend.

The mandatory sex scene is interrupted when a stuffed animal, looking like it just crept out of the septic tank, shuffles into bed with Jonathan and his girlfriend Rebecca (Lisa Pelikan). This doesn't seem to disconcert the couple in the slightest—at least they never acknowledge its presence. Jonathan starts slobbering in tongues into the ear of his girlfriend; a glowing pentagram appears under the bed and a rightfully disgusted Rebecca stalks out, tearing off the talisman that Jonathan gave her with a warning never to take it off. The audience cheers, in hopes that now something has to happen.

Unfortunately, the director seems to have forgotten that the Ghoulies are supposed to be invisible. Or is he trying to show us their prankish nature? All this, and more, is unclear. The movie fails to define itself. The violence isn't cute enough for kids and not nearly graphic enough for the slash-trash crowd. A neo-nazi surfer's attempt at breakdancing is vaguely amusing, but like the rest of the movie it's too gratuitous to be truly *bad* in a campy sense, and lacks the creativity and originality to be good.

Any hopes that Ghoulies would be intelligent, perhaps somewhat personable like E.T., are dashed when they manifest themselves like colossal maggots in the roast at a formal dinner party. None of the guests (who are, of course, all wearing dark sunglasses) notices them.

The Ghoulies get their chance to be terrifying when a decidedly un-scary Malcolm rises from the grave to repossess them, and give them orders to mutilate the household. Couple number one foolishly perches over a Ghoulie-infested fountain, removing their rumps just in time to be chomped in the face by flying masses of fur and greased rubber. Again the camera shies away and the real action, blood and guts, is absent. A ventriloquist's dummy, about to molest a woman, explodes instead, oozing a drab-green, slime-covered Ghoulie. Everyone dies within five minutes and we see nothing.

Director Bercovici fails to achieve whatever it is that he set out to achieve...that is, if he intended to create anything more than a morass of histrionics and not-so-special effects. To whom is this supposed to appeal? *Ghoulies* makes a stab at being many things, only to succeed in being a placebo-like rip-off.

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# ANNOUNCEments

**TALK WITH GARY PATTON:** Monday morning, February 4, 1985, Caffe Pergolesi (behind Bookshop Santa Cruz) 8am to 9am. Supervisor Gary Patton will discuss the Agenda of the County Board of Supervisors, and answer questions from the public. Everyone is invited. One important topic scheduled for discussion is voter fraud.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE** of the American Cancer Society will be held Monday, February 4, 8 to 9:30am in the Solarium at the Santa Cruz Community Hospital. The Public Education Committee plans and presents programs throughout the county, alerting both students and adults to what steps they can take to reduce their risk of getting cancer. For more information, please call the American Cancer Society at 423-4231 or 688-1749.

**PAGE STEGNER**—novelist, critic, nonfiction writer and UCSC professor—will be the February 5 Book Talk speaker for Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries; his talk, titled "Offshore Islands: A Natural History of Coastal Islands," will be a discussion of his latest work, to be published next fall by Sierra Club Books. He will speak at noon in the central branch. This event is open to the public and free; no advance registration is required for attendance at Book Talks, and members of the audience are invited to bring a brown bag lunch.

**PSYCHOLOGY FIELD-STUDY PROGRAM:** Students should prepare for Spring Quarter field-study NOW! There are also several Summer opportunities such as: Western Psychiatric Clinic, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Psychiatric Institute, Washington, DC; Wilson Psychiatry Center, Faribault, Minn. with February and March application deadlines. For more information, stop by 481 Kerr Hall or call 429-4410.

**SIERRA CLUB:** Saturday, February 2—Hike: Mt. Madonna. Meet: Watsonville Square (Green Valley Rd. and Main St.) 9am. Hike 6 miles. Leader: Nancy Hallman 724-7169.

Sunday, February 3—Elephant Seal Excursion. Meet: 10:15 Santa Cruz Metro Center. Reservations limited to 20. Call leader Al Crawley 426-9377.

Monday, February 4—Outings Meeting. Meet: 130 Acadia, Santa Cruz, 7:30pm. Call 423-1032.

**TWO SOVIET CHURCHWOMEN WILL BE IN SANTA CRUZ** on Monday, February 4 as part of a nationwide tour to further the cause of peace between the US and the Soviet Union through friendship and dialogue. An evening talk is planned to begin at 7:30pm at Grace United Methodist Chruch, 1024 Soquel in Santa Cruz. The speakers are Nina Bobrova, a member of the World Council of Churches, staff member of the Department of External Church Affairs of the Moscow Patriarchate of the Russian Orthodox Church, and Tatiana Novicoja, a youth ecumenical worker and interpreter at the Editorial Department of the Moscow Patriarchate of the Russian Orthodox Church. A donation of $3-5 will be requested. After the talk a reception will be held at the church. The national tour is coordinated by the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Local sponsors for the event are the Resource Center for Nonviolence, Santa Cruz Friends Meeting, and Peacemakers. For more information call the Resource Center for Nonviolence (Shelly or Deena) 423-1626.

**THE SANTA CRUZ WESTSIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER** is currently seeking new members for their Board of Directors. Any resident of the Santa Cruz area who has an interest in community health care is urged to join. The Health Center is a nonprofit clinic which offers low-cost primary health care, with an emphasis on prevention and health education. Any interested person may call Hewitt Joyner at 425-5028 days or Eileen Donnelly at 429-1750 evenings.

**ATTENTION STUDENTS:** Unity Through Action—A coalition of Third World organizations will be discussing, organizing, and initiating action in support of the Ethnic Studies breadth requirement. The meeting will be held at the Whole Earth Restaurant on Sunday at 11:30. Open to the campus community.

**CAREER SERVICES,** 123 Hahn Student Services, x2183.

**SOCIAL SCIENCE—Internships:** Urban Fellows, IRRC Environmental Intern program, General Services Admin., American Bar Assoc., Mellon Summer Research, Religious Action, Christian Ministry in the National Parks, CA Mini-Corps, CA Medi-Corps, United Way.

**APPLIED SCIENCES—Internships:** Lawrence Berkeley, National Center for Atmospheric Research Lamont-Doherty, Oak Ridge University, Maria Mitchell Observatory.

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**PEACE CORPS RECRUITMENT:** The Peace Corps, now in its 22nd year, is currently recruiting volunteers. In response to the Ethiopian crisis, long-term development projects are being emphasized in many drought-stricken countries. Volunteers are needed in community development, forestry, fisheries, biology, math, science and agriculture. For more information and applications contact your Peace Corps recruiters, Ellen Leech or Roy Simpson, at the Career Service Center, 205 Hahn Student Services or call x2368.

**RECRUITMENT:** All computer science recruitment schedules for winter quarter are filled. There is a waiting list and recruiters will be contacted for additional schedules. Spring quarter sign-up will begin the week of March 25. All students who are on waiting lis: for winter quarter will have first sign-up consideration for spring quarter.

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For more information stop by Career Services or call x2368.

**SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS:** A new volunteer training session will be offered by Suicide Prevention Service for its 24-hour hotline beginning Wed. Feb. 6, at 7pm at the DMV Building, 4200 Capitola Rd., Capitola. Training will continue six consecutive Wednesdays from 7 to 9:45pm. Volunteers are needed for both day and night shifts. For information call SPS at 426-2342, or come to the first class session on Feb. 6.

**FOUR RE-ENTRY WOMEN STUDENTS** will speak on their experiences at UCSC at the February 6 meeting of the UCSC Women's Club. Scheduled at noon in University House on the campus. Everyone is welcome to attend, with a bag lunch for those who wish to eat before the meeting starts at 12 noon. Kathleen Dickey, Gail Fail, Blanca Tavera and Ela Wimmer were all winners of UCSC Women's Club scholarships last year. Park your car at University House or in the Performing Arts parking area.

**FREE VISION SCREENING CLINIC:** Your Student Health Service will be sponsoring a free vision screening clinic at the Student Health Center Conference Room beginning February 6, 1985, every Wednesday from 3-5pm. The goal of this clinic is to help you determine whether or not you may require a full eye examination and possible glasses or contact lenses. To ensure an examination come in and schedule an appointment at the Health Center, or take your chances and drop in on the day of the Clinic. This clinic is FREE to registered UCSC full-time students.

**THE CHANCELLOR'S** open office hours are on Tuesdays, from 1:30-3:30pm, except when he is out of town, which will be announced.

**ETHNIC STUDIES PROGRAM 1984-5:** Proposals are now invited for Ethnic Studies Program funding for the 1985 spring quarter. Proposals may be submitted by undergraduate and graduate students, boards of studies, faculty, and campus-wide organizations. The deadline for submission of proposals is Friday, February 8, at 5pm. Interested individuals should obtain additional information and application guidelines from the Academic Vice Chancellor's Office (229 McHenry Library). Questions may be directed to: Susan Taylor, Academic Vice Chancellor's Office, 429-2671.

**ROOMMATE MOVING OUT?** Or are you moving out of your house or apartment? Advertise available rentals with the UCSC Off-Campus Housing Program. It's easy; just call 429-4435 and we'll take the information over the phone. Or, drop by the office, 9am-4:30pm weekdays, in the Housing Services Building across from the West Field House.

**SWIM CLUB**—A van will leave the East Field House Parking Lot at about 6:15pm to take members to Harvey West Pool on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday every week. Other times could be arranged on request. Car pooling lists are being compiled to cover other times. New times for Harvey West are 6:30am-9:30am and 5pm-8pm in the week. Next meeting is Feb. 7, 8:30pm, at A139 Porter—bring some refreshments. CALL Margaret 429-8684 for details.

**THE SANTA CRUZ CHAPTER OF THE L-5 SOCIETY,** a non-profit, educational organization promoting an expanded space program will hold a public forum on Friday, February 1, at 7:30pm, in the Community Meeting Room at Citicorp Savings on the corner of Ocean and Water Streets. The topic of discussion will be "What Lies Ahead for the US Space Program?". Following the forum will be a pizza party at Straw Hat Pizza, 1221 Mission St., featuring a video presentation on the Space Shuttle, Voyager probes, and the L-5 Society.

**ONE-DAY WORKSHOP ON THE GLOBAL DEBT CRISIS:** Origins, present consequences, future scenarios. Formulating policy choices and action strategies for a just solution. Sun., Feb. 3, 10am-5pm, Resource Center for Nonviolence, 515 Broadway. Bring your own lunch. $15-$8 sliding scale, includes study packet. For more info, 423-1626.

**WANNA BE A STAR?** Wanna win the Grand Prize in this year's Air Band Contest? Preliminary Competition is under way within each college. The hottest act will win the chance to compete in the finals during our 1985 Winter "Carnival" Celebration on Friday Feb. 15, in the Porter Dining Hall. Need an incentive? The first place prize is $200! Contact your college activity coordinator or the Recreation office for more information.

**ATTENTION ILLUSTRATORS AND ARTISTS:** If you would like to see some of your black and white line drawings on campus publications (class schedules, posters, Campus Handbook, etc.), contact Ellen Farmer at the Office of the Registrar, ex. 2750.

**SEE** *GONE WITH THE WIND* as you've never seen it before! The Rape Prevention Education Program is showing the film, *Rape Culture*, with discussion to follow on Wed. Feb. 6 from 5:30-7pm in Classroom Unit 1. All welcome. FREE.

**RUSSIAN WOMEN TO SPEAK AT YWCA**—Monday Feb. 4th 1:30pm-3:30pm. No Fee. The Resource Center for Nonviolence and the YWCA will be sponsoring a public forum in which women from Russia will share their hopes for peace by building bridges of friendship.

**REDWOOD YOUTH FOUNDATION**—Feb. 6, 7:30pm-9:30pm. No Fee. The YWCA and the RYF are sponsoring the International Youth Telecongress in July '85. This meeting is being held at the YWCA to accomodate south county residents who may want to know more about the youth telecongress. Everyone welcome!!

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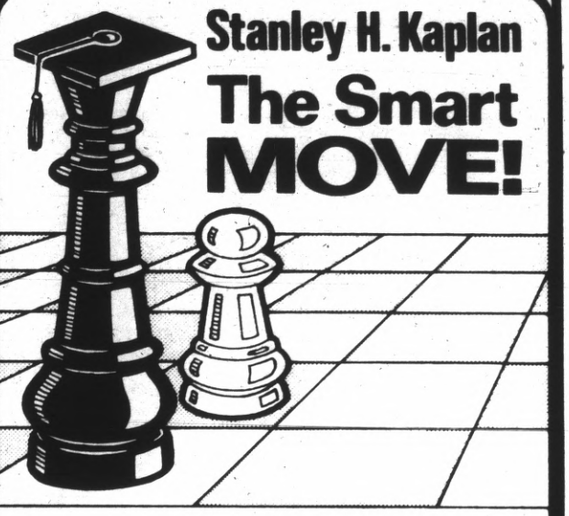

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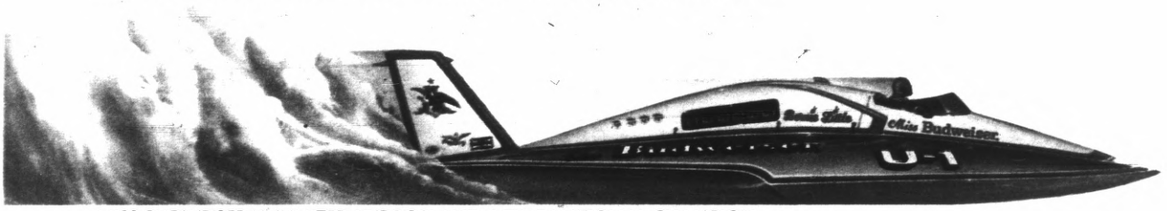


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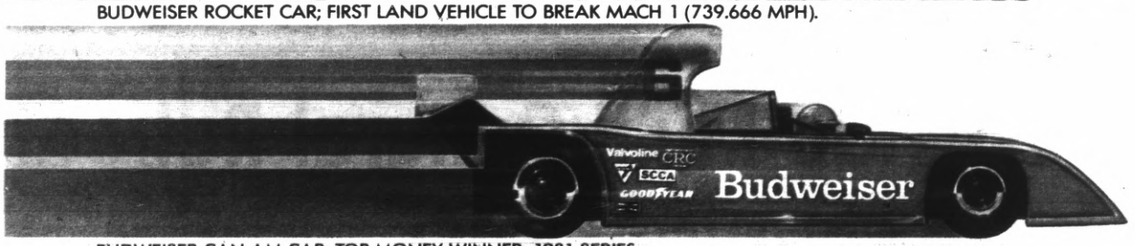


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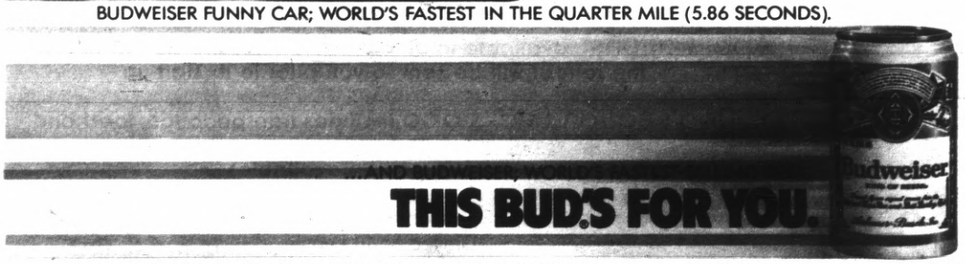


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